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THE NEW MOIETY LAW.

SOME OF ITS EFFECTS—INCREASED DIFFICULTY IN DECIDING DISPUTED CASES—CLAIMS FOR REFUNDING DUTIES.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The new Moiety law has greatly increased the duties of the Customs division of the Secretary's office. The work of that office has hitherto been greatly facilitated by the large number of precedents which have existed upon almost every subject that has been referred to that division on appeal from the offices of Collectors of Customs throughout the country. The new law, however, almost entirely prevents any practical use of this long established system of precedents, as the laws upon which these precedents were based, and of which they were interpretations, have been either entirely abolished, or so modified by the Moiety law, that the precedents are of little practical use. The consequence is that the new Chief of the Customs Division, Mr. Lorin D. Blodget, is obliged to start almost from the beginning, and to make his decisions in appeal cases without the assistance of the long line of precedents which have been of such great service to his predecessors in office. There are now from the New-York Custom-house, a great number of appeals, especially as regards the classification of mixed goods under the new law. Many of the large firms insist that their importations of dresses, polonaises, and ladies' apparel, composed of mixed goods, should be classed as embroideries. These claims, thus far, in every instance, have been rejected, and the goods placed under other classifications, by which they are required to pay a much higher duty. There seem to be some quite serious defects in the classification of the new Moiety bill. Claims for refunds of duty under the silk ribbon decision are being held back, and the question of making any further refunds is under serious consideration.

THE SECRET SERVICE.

One of the recommendations of the Solicitor of the Treasury, with regard to the reorganization of the secret service system, is that the Chief of that system, if such an officer be retained, shall be located in Washington City, and that the agents of the service assigned to different districts shall be frequently transferred from one district to another. The purpose of this plan is to prevent the danger to agents of too long a residence in one locality, and of the insidious influences which are likely to result from the too intimate acquaintance of local thieves.

POSTMASTER GENERAL JEWELL.

The new Postmaster General is expected to arrive here on Wednesday, but it is not believed that he will enter upon his official duties before Sept. 1. It is now thought that he will make no important changes in the heads of bureaus in that department. It is stated that Gov. Jewell is an old personal friend of Mr. Marshall, the First Assistant Postmaster General.

PAYING THE UNPAID LABORERS.

Mr. Baker, Controller of the District, will on Monday commence the payment of the laborers of the District whose wages have so long been due and unpaid. The Commissioners have been unable to make these payments sooner, owing to the great difficulty in arranging the confused and complicated pay-rolls. There are about 2,000 unpaid laborers, to whom about $150,000 is due.

THE BRITISH LEGATION.

The report that Sir Edward Thornton will not return here as British Minister is unfounded. He has already taken passage, and is expected to arrive in October. Lady Thornton will not return this Winter, but will remain in Europe to superintend the education of her children. Mr. Henry Howard, who has filled the position of British Agent of the Mixed Claim Commission with so much credit, has been appointed Second Secretary of Legation at Washington. Mr. Howard will also superintend the disbursement of the $2,000,000 that are to be distributed to British claimants, as their awards by the Mixed Claims Commission.

AFFAIRS OF THE DISTRICT.

Some of the old memorialists have persistently insisted that the Governing Commission is entirely allied to the side in the recent district controversy to which the memorialists were, and are, opposed. Nothing can be more absurd than such a statement, since no body of men could act with more impartiality than has the District Commission. Saturday, however, upon the recommendation of Mr. Christy, the attorney for the memorialists, M. A. Watson, a clerk especially hostile to the Board of Public Works, was appointed a clerk of the Auditing Commission. The time for the payment of a considerable portion of the tax lien certificates on District property has arrived, and the holders are taking the initial proceedings to secure their collection. The Collector of Taxes has, in some instances, been requested to order a sale of the property pledged by the lien, but in very many cases the persons who hold the lien certificates are giving the persons whose property is endangered an opportunity to pay the interest, instead of forcing a sale.

PERSONAL.

It is definitely known that Hon. R. B. Elliott, one of the representatives from South Carolina, will not be a candidate for renomination, but will seek to enter the State Legislature for the purpose of assisting in the reform movement in that State.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

IMPORTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

The Chief of the Bureau of Statistics furnishes the following statement of the principal exports from Great Britain to the United States during the seven months ended July 31, 1874, as compared with the same period in 1873:

Articles.	1873.	1874.
Alkali	£880,120	£665,292
Apparel and slops	£134,107	£127,729
Copper, unmanufactured, cwts	43,804	724
Copper, manufactured, cwts	1,286	767
Cotton goods, yards	83,667,435	78,836,880
Earthen and china ware	£438,781	£325,654
Haberdashery, millinery, and embroidery	£940,074	£795,159
Hardware and cutlery	£479,801	£464,334
Iron and steel, bar, bolt, &c., tons	21,095	2,379
Iron, railroad of all kinds, tons	134,393	72,631
Iron, hoop, sheet and boiler, tons	13,834	3,396
Tin-plates, tons	58,402	53,905
Old iron, tons	27,400	5,259
Steel, tons	12,624	7,603
Lead, pig, &c., tons	2,287	1,455
Linen goods, yards	65,826,717	64,907,520
Machinery	£348,904	£126,791
Salt, tons	128,783	102,915
Paper, writing and printing	£69,545	£24,046
Spirits, British and Irish, gallons	48,050	29,750
Silk manufactures, ribbons	£42,803	£19,807
Silk, mixed goods	53,577	£42,208
Wool, sheep and lambs', lbs	568,153	87,518
Woolen cloths	£910,493	£653,191
Woolen yarns	£2,660,065	£1,976,850
Worsted stuffs	£494,536	£420,198
Carpets		

MAIL SERVICE IN THE NORTH-WESTERN STATES.

Mail service in the north-western portion of the United States, designated by the department as the Western Section, and composing the States of Oregon, California, and Nevada, and the Territories of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New-Mexico, Arizona, Idaho, and Washington, the contracts for which went into effect on the 1st of July last, is, as a general thing, being performed to the satisfaction of the Post Office Department. The certificates of service being performed, which are required from Postmasters at each end of a route, have, with perhaps a dozen exceptions, been received at the General Post Office, and in the few cases where certificates are not received, the fault is believed to be the negligence of Postmasters, as no complaint of failure has come to hand. In about twenty cases the lowest bidder failed to come forward and sign the contract, which is required by law to be done prior to June 1, and the contract was in such cases given to the next lowest bidder, who has generally commenced the service on the 1st of July. In one or two cases, however, where the routes were very long, in order to allow the contractor to procure stock, &c., the time for the commencement of service has been extended to Sept. 1, temporary contracts being made by the department for the intervening two months with the old contractors. As the performance of service is certified to by the proper Postmasters, the certified checks required from all the bidders under the act of Congress are being returned to the drawers. About one-half the checks thus deposited at the time the bids were put in have been sent back, and the remainder are going out daily, as the performance of service is officially reported.

REDEMPTION OF NATIONAL BANK NOTES.

The total amount of national bank notes received for redemption to date is $17,695,257, of which $15,732,741 have been paid for in legal tenders, $5,645,000 are now in the assorters' hands, and $1,350,000 will be ready for destruction as soon as the banks respond to the call just made upon them to reimburse the Treasurer for their redemption. It appears from the correspondence of the National Bank Redemption Agency that, in counting the returned notes of one of the national banks, the sum was found to be $100 short. The bank having been informed of this fact, insisted on the correctness of its count. The United States Treasurer replied that the money had been twice counted, and there was no doubt the money was short. He could not agree that, as charged by the bank, "something was wrong" in his office. In the letter of the Treasurer he states the fact that the shorts and overs detected since the establishment of the agency have been found almost precisely to balance each other, though discovered on different days in the different remittances and by different counters—a fact which, he says, tends to prove the honesty of the counters. The Treasurer, in reply to another correspondent, acknowledges the receipt of a letter relative to the redemption of national bank notes, and says he agrees with him as to the injustice of holding innocent parties liable for national bank notes which have been stolen while in custody of the Government, the signatures forged, and the notes put in circulation. The Treasurer says he intends in his next annual report to call the attention of Congress to the subject, and recommend the Government shall redeem the notes which were stolen from its custody, and that the banks of issue shall be compelled to redeem those which were stolen from them. In the absence, however, of such an enactment, his only course is to reject all such notes. Another letter states that returns for bank notes redeemed at the agency are made in all cases in new United States currency, forwarded by express to the parties from whom the old notes have been received. Circulating notes of a bank's own issue, redeemed by the same bank, may be forwarded to the Controller of the Currency in sums of $500, or an even multiple thereof, as heretofore. There is no advantage in such cases in forwarding the notes to the agency, as the bank would be required to deposit with the Treasurer an equal amount of legal tenders as soon as the notes of the bank should pass through the assorting-room. The agency will redeem fragments of bank notes, equally or exceeding three-fifths of their original proportions at their full face value, provided the name of the bank and the signature of one of its officers are clearly distinguishable. It will also redeem for the full face value fragments less than three-fifths, which the Controller of the Currency has certified he will accept as full notes. Fragments which the Controller has certified that he will accept at less than face value will not be redeemed by the agency, unless two or more fragments of notes of the same denomination are presented, the aggregate redeemable value of which is equal to a full note. That is to say, two fragments of ten dollar notes each of which the Controller is willing to accept as five dollars, will be redeemed as a ten dollar note. This course has been decided upon in order to prevent complication to the Treasurer's accounts by the redemption of notes for a fractional part of their face value.

THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

Postmaster General Marshall having left the city for a few days, the President has designated Second Assistant J. L. Routt as Postmaster General *ad interim*, thus giving to the department three Postmaster Generals, viz., Marshall Jewell, J. W. Marshall, and Col. Routt, *de jure, de facto*, and *ad interim*.

THE BOILER.

Prof. Joseph Winlock has accepted the appointment of Chairman of the Commission to Conduct Experiments with Steam-boilers, with a view to ascertain the causes of explosion.

POST OFFICE CHANGES.

The following are the postal changes for the week ending Aug. 22d, 1874:

New-England Offices Established.—South Waldoborough, Lincoln County, Me., Jacob Winchenback, Postmaster; Franklin Falls, Merrimack County, N. H., Walter Burleigh Postmaster; Spring Vale, Norfolk County, Mass., Barton Hathaway Postmaster. Postmasters Appointed.—Jeremiah S. Bartlett, Bucksport Zentre, Hancock County, Me.; L. O. Oaks, Garland, Penobscot County, Me.; Addison B. Danforth, Connecticut Lake, Coos County, N. H.

New-York Postmasters Appointed.—Alfred Loomis Fenner, Madison County; Lyman P. Murdock, Venice Centre, Cayuga County; Daniel A. Cobleigh, Wood Haven, Queens County.

New-Jersey.—Offices Established—Oceanville, Atlantic County, George W. Allen, Postmaster; Singac, Passaic County, W. Schoonmaker, Postmaster.

Pennsylvania.—Offices Established—Glenville, York County, Abraham Rohrabaugh, Postmaster; Homestead, Allegheny County, Joseph Ramsey, Postmaster; Stine's Corner, Lehigh County, Joshua Welder, Postmaster. Offices Discontinued—Buchanan, Allegheny County; Ormsby, Allegheny County; Temperanceville, Allegheny County. Postmasters Appointed—Mrs. Sarah J. Evans, Birdsborough, Berks County; David McCurdy, Davis, Indiana County; John W. Houck, Eagle Foundry, Huntingdon County; Benjamin Fink, Hare's Valley, Huntingdon County; Isaac Blair, Oak Forest, Greene County; Wm. F. Horton, Stony Fork, Tioga County.

CANADA.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH INDIANS—THE PEMBINA BRANCH RAILROAD.

FORT GARRY, Manitoba, Aug. 22.—Hon. David Laird, accompanied by the Lieutenant Governor and others, start on Monday next to make a treaty with the Cree Indians.

The specifications for the Pembina Branch Railroad are received, and several prominent contractors from the United States are in the city.

The scaffolding for the execution of the soldier Michond, who murdered Brown, is erected. The execution, to take place on Wednesday next, will be the first in the Province.

THE CRICKETERS IN HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug., 23.—The American cricketers dined with the Mayor last evening.

THREE PERSONS DROWNED.

LONDON, Ont., Aug. 23.—Last night Jenkins W. Nesbett, his nephew, and Miss Eliza Tait, his sister-in-law, while attempting to ford the river near Becher's Island in a buggy, were drowned. The horse was also drowned.

FROST IN NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Aug. 23.—There was a white frost in Goffstown and Weare this morning, and it is feared that the Fall crops have suffered in consequence. At 6 o'clock this morning overcoats and gloves were in requisition here. It is very chilly this evening, and fears are entertained of another frost.

BAZAINE'S ESCAPE.

HOW IT WAS EFFECTED.

THE EXCITEMENT IN PARIS—THE DETAILS OF THE FLIGHT—MME. BAZAINE'S SHARE IN IT—COMMENTS OF THE JOURNALS.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SAINT-GERMAIN-EN-LAYE, Wednesday, Aug. 12, 1874.

The news of the escape of Marshal Bazaine reached me upon the Terrace of Saint-Germain, and I interrupt my promised repose to give you the details as they are now reported. As accustomed as the French are to sudden and startling events, this news caused a deep and widespread emotion. It was a *coup de théâtre* which has been for three days the prominent topic of conversation. As could have been foreseen, the appreciations of the journals are extremely varied. The organs of the extreme Republican Party do not hesitate to accuse the Government of connivance, or, at least, of complaisance; for in France partisan feeling is mingled with everything. Those who rejoiced at the escape of Rochefort from Noumea, and who were very careful not to incite the Government on to a rigorous inquiry, are now loud in their furious and indignant cries at the escape of Bazaine. Some go so far as to say that, owing to the great age and enormous bulk of the Ex-Marshal, it would have been impossible for him to have scaled the walls of Sainte-Marguerite, and let himself down a distance of thirty-five yards with the aid of a rope, and intimate that he went out of the front door, with the full knowledge of some one who knew well what he was doing. In plain language, this means that Marshal De MacMahon was privy to the escape. But in the same way Louis XVIII. was accused of aiding and abetting in the escape of M. De La Valette.

The details given of the escape are a little romanesque, but I give them as related in the most widely-accepted version. First, however, I return for a moment to the preliminary facts. On Monday, Oct. 6, 1873, the first court-martial met at Versailles, under the presidency of the Duc D'Aumale, to sit upon the case of Marshal Bazaine. The charges were first made by Gambetta, and formulated by two officers of the Army of Metz bitterly hostile to the Marshal. M. Thiers would never consent to his being put upon trial, on the ground that it would tend to lessen the respect of the army for superior authority, and this eminent statesman has since expressed his regrets that he had not taken the responsibility of sending Bazaine out of the country before resigning. On the 24th May a Government came in bitterly hostile to the Empire, and the trial of Bazaine was then regarded as a blow to that party. The calculations in this respect were not entirely accurate. On the 12th December, 1873, the court-martial found Bazaine guilty of failure in his duty, but not of treason, and of surrendering an army to the enemy in the open field. The penalty was death, and the Duc D'Aumale sentenced Bazaine to military degradation and to death. But, by what process of reasoning no one has yet been able to divine, the men who had just sentenced Bazaine to be shot signed, with unanimity, a petition to the President, recommending him to use his right of clemency. MacMahon could not do otherwise, under the circumstances, than commute the death penalty to imprisonment for twenty years. Bazaine was sent to the fortress of Sainte Marguerite, the prison-house of the "Iron Mask," of Archbishop De Broglie, and several other illustrious State prisoners.

A short time ago, or after the Ex-Marshal had been some seven months in prison, Mme. Bazaine asked MacMahon to change the penalty into exile for life, and while he would have gladly done so, if he could with safety, or without raising popular clamors against him, the President felt obliged to refuse the petition at this time. It was not until this and other attempts had failed that the plan of escaping was accepted by Bazaine. He was urged to it by his wife, who pleaded with him daily, and who used one very strong argument. In France, she said, revolutions were frequent, and one might burst upon the country at any moment. If the Radicals were to succeed to power again, by any chance, the first act of the new Government would be to sign the death-warrant of Bazaine. Although this is an exaggeration, there can be no manner of doubt that his life would be in danger. It was by constant pleading with him that the faithful wife finally won his consent to leave the island. Some of the journals pretend that he was on parole, but this is absurd. A prisoner does not promise not to escape unless he gets some privileges in return, and Bazaine has had none whatever. He has been constantly subjected to rigid prison discipline, has never been allowed to walk, except upon the parapet, some ten feet square, and has been refused nearly all the privileges he has ever demanded. He had a right to escape, therefore, if he could, but whether it was good policy to do so is a question which can hardly be decided at this time.

All the arrangements for the escape had been completed a week ago, and the parties concerned only awaited a favorable moment for carrying their plan into execution. Col. Villette, Bazaine's faithful friend, the man who sat by his side during the trial and who asked to share his captivity, thus giving up his own hopes of advancement, was not allowed to sleep upon the island, but was granted the privilege of coming over for a few hours each day. During the Winter Mme. Bazaine and her children had been upon the island, but owing to the unhealthy air of Summer they had to be sent away. As Mme. Bazaine could no longer be confined within the walls, under guard, she was allowed to visit her husband at stated periods only, and forced to procure a permit in advance. On Saturday she made her usual visit, and it was on Sunday night that Bazaine escaped. The care of the prisoner was confided to only four guards, drawn from the company of 100 men which comprised the garrison. At night a squad of men picketed before the gates of the fortress. Upon the side of the sea there is a perpendicular descent of thirty mètres, nearly thirty-five yards, and as this side is narrow, no spot was found for placing a sentinel. The guard had to march upon the other angle, at some distance from this tolerably safe point. Indeed, owing to the enormous size of the prisoner, and his advanced age, it was thought impossible for him to escape from this dangerous point. Moreover, as in the case of Rochefort and the Communists of Noumea, it appears that the Government counted upon the sharks with which the waters are filled to guard the sea side of the castle.

On Sunday the Marshal had passed the greater part of the afternoon upon his narrow parapet, pacing up and down with Col. Villette; but soon after the departure of the latter Bazaine went to his room, and in a short time retired. About 10 o'clock the Commandant made his usual visit, finding his prisoner in bed. The guard had been set, and the picket post was also visited. It was a dark and stormy night, the mistral howling about the fortress, and raising menacing white caps upon the sea, and the black clouds hanging low in the sky, giving promise of rain. Although a steamer had been signaled just at dark, the Commandant felt that the conditions of the night were favorable to repose, and after seeing all things in order, he too retired. What then passed could only be divined. It is known to-day that about 7:30 on Sunday evening, Mme. Bazaine hired a boat, and, accompanied by a very young man, started out for a row. A Croisette fisherman recognized the lady, and saw her pulling an oar with feverish anxiety, and steering toward Sainte Marguerite. The boat was soon lost to sight. It was very dark when the boat came upon the island, where Mme. Bazaine and her companion must have lain for several hours tossed about by the storm. Meanwhile, the Marshal had risen, and, after having attached his knotted rope to the iron bars of the window, had let himself down this giddy height. The rope was found there in the morning, and bearing eleven fresh blood stains upon it to show that the descent was not effected without danger. As the small boat had to keep beyond the surf, Bazaine had to swim in for some distance; but he was soon drawn in by his courageous and loving wife, and the boat was quickly pulled off to the steamer. The next morning the Italian coast was reached, and Bazaine safely landed at Saint Remo. It was not until the next morning that the guard had any intimation of the escape of their prisoner, but it seems strange that no one on the island should have seen either the boat close under the walls or the steamer only a short distance away.

The young man who accompanied Mme. Bazaine was a member of her family, a young Mexican by the name of Rull. He has several times cruised off the island in a steam yacht, but it was only the other day that the Marshal could be persuaded to leave. Col. Villette waited at Cannes until the news arrived, when he started for Paris to state what he knew, but was arrested before arriving. He is now in close confinement at Gresse. Mme. Villette has gone to meet her husband, but has not yet been permitted to see him. As I have above remarked, the comments of the press are extremely varied, and the Republican journals are generally ferocious. The *Univers* has the most energetic paragraph about the event. It says:

"It is an unhappy thing for the Government not to know how to even guard its prisoners; but it knows how to guard so few things that no one would think of reproaching it for so little. As for Marshal Bazaine, that he was in the right is clearly evident, and he appears to have executed his sortie with as much resolution as success. We are very glad of this adventure. It is permissible for a Marshal of France to escape by the window of a prison of State, and to refuse, at his own risk and peril, the benefaction of a commutation of a penalty which condemned him to die for twenty years. Such mercies, not asked, are not binding ties of gratitude. If one did not wish him to escape he should have been shot or turned out of the country. He was tired of prison life, had something else to do, perhaps, and hence left. It occurs to our minds that the life of this valiant soldier is not yet terminated, and that his departure might be his entry upon a campaign elsewhere except with us. He may find a battle-field where there will be Prussians or *Petroleux* (petroleum users, or Communists.) What is certain is that there are people somewhere who now have an opportunity for changing very considerably the plans of diplomacy."

This is probably a hint that Bazaine intends to join the Carlists, but as an offset to this another journal says that he only escaped because Marshal Serrano had offered him a command. Knowing Spanish pride, I cannot think there is any truth in this report. One thing is certain, and that is that the State has been very considerably relieved. An immense burden has been removed. It costs over 200,000 francs a year to guard Bazaine, and he is a constant source of anxiety. Of course a great fuss will be made about an official inquiry, and about the punishment of somebody, but if the press will only let the matter rest MacMahon will be only too glad to do so. In a short time "good riddance" will be the popular verdict.

ARRESTED FOR ROBBING THE MAILS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 23.—George W. Claypole, a clerk in the Baltimore Post Office, was arrested on Saturday night on the charge of stealing letters and valuables from the mails. His detection leads to breaking up a system of pilfering that has been carried on for eight months, and which has puzzled the efforts of the shrewdest detectives in the Post Office Department to track down until this time. Valuable packages sent through the mails, containing jewelry, &c., together with money letters, have disappeared, and the total amount is supposed to reach many thousands of dollars, numerous complaints of non-reception of letters and packages having been made by parties in New-York, Philadelphia, and Western cities. On Claypole being arrested by Special Agents Henderson and Myers, he burst into tears and confessed his guilt. He gave up a package containing fifty letters and a splendid pearl necklace and cross, mailed from New-York to this city, which constituted his recent spoil. There were also found on his person pawn-tickets for jewelry pawned here after being taken from the mails, and two letters which had been put in the mail as decoys, by which he was detected. In another coat belonging to him were found hundreds of letters which he had opened and rifled. His duties were in the newspaper department of the Post Office, and hence he was not suspected of tampering with letters until it was discovered that he was occasionally called in to assist in the city delivery. He confessed that he had been stealing in this way for more than a year, but could not tell the amount of his thefts. Nearly every other employe in the office had been suspected before him, and he was encouraged to dishonesty by the belief that circumstances would continue to prevent suspicion from falling on him.

THE ELECTION TROUBLES AGAIN.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 23.—There was a fracas at Monterey, Owen County, Ky., yesterday, growing out of a fight on election day, between Willis and James Russel and some others who attacked one Green Barr. The Russels were arrested and bound over for examination at Monterey yesterday. They threatened the county attorney with death if he prosecuted them. That official called upon the Sheriff for protection, and the latter, with a guard and the Attorney, went to Monterey yesterday. They were attacked by the Russels' party, numbering about twenty, and George Mefford, one of the guards, was killed. The Sheriff judging himself overpowered, withdrew to Owenton, and called upon the Governor for troops. Witnesses for the prosecution were also fired upon and driven away. The Governor has ordered soldiers to Monterey.

THE SENATE NAVAL COMMITTEE.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 23.—The United States steamer Despatch, with the Senate Naval Committee and invited guests, sighted the Isle of Shoals Saturday, and returned to the Navy-yard. Capt. Wiard's steam yacht Minnehaha took a portion of the party to Newburyport, to visit Major Ben Perley Poore at his Indian Hill farm, and Senator Morrill left for his home in Maine. The Despatch sailed for New-York and Washington Sunday morning, having only Senators Sargent and Conover on board.

SEA ISLAND COTTON.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Aug. 23.—The first receipts of the new crop Sea Island cotton arrived here to-day from Florida. It consisted of two bags.

THE SPANISH REPUBLICS.

THE STEAMER MONTIJO ARBITRATION.

PERUVIAN INDEPENDENCE-DAY FESTIVITIES—INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS — PRESIDENT PARDO'S MESSAGE—HEAVY RAINFALL IN CHILI.

No mails have been received at Panama from Central America, dne the 8th inst. The steamship between the Republic and the Isthmus is at present very irregular, and much complained of by shippers and merchants on the coast.

COLOMBIA.

A private letter from Bogota states that Dr. Schumacher, Minister Resident for the German Empire, is likely to be selected to decide on the claim of Messrs. Schuber, owners of the steam-ship Montijo, against the United States of Colombia, which had been left to arbitration by the Government of Colombia and the United States. All the papers and evidence connected with the case are to be laid before Dr. Schumacher, and his decision is to be final.

Commercial affairs in Panama continue very depressed. Trade is dull, money scarce, and no produce of any amount is being shipped. Exchange on New-York continues at eight per cent. premium, and on England at six per cent. premium.

Rear Admiral Napoleon Collins, United States Navy, arrived at Panama from New-York on the 8th inst., and on the 11th hoisted his pennant on the United States steamer Richmond, of the South Pacific Station. The Richmond will remain in that port till some repairs to the hoisting apparatus to her propeller are completed.

THE MAGEE OUTRAGE.

Admiral Cochrane, commander of the British Squadron in the Pacific, sailed from Panama in the steamer Tenedos on the 10th inst. for San Jose, Guatemala, to inquire into the outrage on Consul Magee. The Fantom arrived here from the South on the 9th and sailed again on the same day, also for Guatemala. The other vessels of the squadron are on their way to the same point.

ECUADOR.

Advices from Guayaquil state that the Bank of Ecuador has resumed specie payment. Exchange on Europe had gone down to forty per cent. premium, and on Peru to two per cent.

PERU.

The news from Lima is to the 6th inst. The anniversary of the independence of Peru was celebrated by a festival of six days' duration, from July 28 to Aug. 2. Congress was opened on the 28th by the President. Gen. Pardo was elected President of the Lower House, and Don B. Munoz Speaker of the Senate. On the 29th the monument of the 2d of May, (das de Mayo,) in commemoration of the victory over the Spaniards in 1866, was unveiled in the capital before an immense crowd. The foreigners in Lima and Callao assembled under their respective flags, and the schools, benevolent societies, printers, veterans of the war of independence, the Courts, and the Executive were present. The procession formed was about a mile in length. The American flag was followed by 130 citizens of the United States, and the flags of Cuba, Chili, Ecuador, and Bolivia were also displayed. The monument is a fine one. Around the base are colossal statues of the then allied Republics—Peru, Bolivia, Chili, and Ecuador—and from it arises a shaft of Carrera marble twenty-two metres high, crowned by a statue of victory. The 1st of August was devoted to a rifle match between the different corps of the National Guard, and an international trial for foreigners. The 2d of August being the second anniversary of Señor Pardo's accession to the Presidency, the day was passed in offering him congratulations.

The new system by which the people choose their local officers has met with great success. The Society for the Promotion of Immigration from Europe is operating with considerable success, and Congress is asked for an appropriation to bring 50,000 immigrants.

The interest and sinking fund of the debt have been paid with punctuality. During the year 1873 the Government redeemed £752,900 of the foreign loan of 1872 with the guano sold in Europe. During the same year the resources of the country were sufficient to pay 1,469,237 soles of the interior debt. On the 1st inst. the Chilian-Peruvian debt contracted with the United States in 1866 was canceled. The internal expenses of the last year were 17,389,100 soles, and the amount estimated for the same 23,511,407.95 soles.

The message of President Pardo to Congress has been published. The most important subjects touched upon are the foreign relations of Peru, which are declared to be satisfactory. The Maria Luz case will be arranged by the Emperor of Russia, and the last news from the Peruvian Legation at Pekin is favorable to a full and abundant introduction of Chinese laborers into Peru. The boundary question between Peru and Brazil is likely to be amicably arranged. All the public works in the Republic are approaching completion. During the last two years 587 kilometers of embankment have been constructed, 536 ironed, and forty-three tunnels opened. The railway from Ilo to Moquehua has been turned over to the Government completed. Of the Oroyd Railroad, only forty kilometers remain to be built. Arrangements have been made to go on with the railroad to Piura, for that to Cuzco, and a third from Chimbote to the mineral district of Yurumarca. Steam navigation on Lake Titicaca is established. The Hydrographic Commission of the Amazon have finished their labors of seven years, ending at a point thirty-five leagues from the upper terminus of the Oroya Railroad. The Government entertains strong hope that an American Congress may be organised at no very distant period to settle all questions now existing between the different Republics, and is constantly working for the realization of that hope.

CHILI.

There has been a terrible rain-fall almost all over the whole Republic of Chili, exceeding that of any year on record. Even in the Northern departments, where rain seldom falls, the railroads and telegraph lines suffered severely. The River Limari overflowed its banks and inundated the town of Ovalle. The Tongoy Railroad sustained serious damage. The iron bridges of Seca, Tague, and Pachuga were swept away. Heavy land-slides have also taken place on the line.

The Chili and Peruvian press have been a good deal excited over the news that a Brazilian iron-clad had bombarded the town of Alvear, in the Upper Uruguay, province of Corrientes. The alleged motive was that some of the officers of the Brazilian vessel had been beaten and ill-treated in the town of Alvear, and that the authorities would neither punish the assailants nor give any explanation to the commander of the Brazilian vessel.

A note from the Minister for Foreign Affairs to the Chilian Minister at Buenos Ayres, relating to the boundary question, has been published, from which we gather the following respecting the present state of the controversy. The Chilian Government desires to treat directly with the Argentine Minister for Foreign Affairs, and not through the medium of the Argentine representative to this country, and it accepts the proposal to extend the arbitration to Patagonia, the Straits of Magellan, and Terra del Fuego.

The British war steamer Scout, which arrived at Valparaiso on the 13th ult., is being fitted up to convey the scientific commission to watch the transit of Venus.

Admiral Cochrane has decided that the port of Coquimbo is the best place on the south coast for a depot for the Pacific Squadron.

The fall of snow has been very heavy in the Cordilleras and the coast range.

ARREST OF A MAIL ROBBER.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 23.—George W. Claypoole, a newspaper clerk in the city Post Office, was arrested last night as he was leaving the Post Office by a special agent. He is charged with purloining letters and other valuables from the mails. Upon being searched fifty letters were found upon his person, and also a box containing a pearl bracelet and a costly jet cross that had been received from New-York yesterday. A package of fifty letters was also found in the pocket of his office coat and a number of pawn tickets for jewelry. Claypoole confessed his guilt and was committed.

THE FIGHTING IN LANCASTER, KY.

TWO COMPANIES OF MILITIA SENT TO THE SCENE OF DISTURBANCE—THE HOSTILE PARTIES INTRENCHED—A DISPUTE FOR OFFICE THE CAUSE OF THE TROUBLE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 22.—In response to a call of Gov. Leslie, four companies of Militia—250 men—under Col. Clark, left this city at 9 o'clock to-night for Lancaster.

THE DISPATCHES FROM THE SCENE OF HOSTILITIES.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 23.—The *Courier-Journal* has received the following telegram from the scene of hostilities in Garrard County:

STANFORD, Ky., Aug. 22.—A number of men have reinforced the Kennedy party at Lancaster, and recruits are still going into the town well armed. Trouble of a serious nature is brewing, and the object is to quiet the excitement peacefully if they can, forcibly if they must. The Sellers party are negroes and whites, principally negroes. There are about fifty negroes guarding Sellers' house, where they have intrenched themselves and made a barracks. They are armed with Spencer rifles, but where they got them is unknown. Both parties are being reinforced. The Sheriff of this county, W. G. Saunders, has been appointed chief of the peace brigade. Skirmishing has been going on since 2 o'clock this afternoon. It is reported that five negroes have been killed and several wounded. Sellers' house has been burned, and two others. The United States troops came out, and both parties fired on them. The troops returned the fire and dispersed both parties, and then returned to their quarters. All is quiet at present—7 o'clock—but the end is not yet reached, we fear, although earnest efforts are being made to stop hostilities.

DANVILLE, Ky., Aug. 22.—The situation at Lancaster up to a late hour this evening was as follows: Kennedy's friends occupy the Court-house and Mason & Sanders' Hotel, situated on the road leading to Stanford. Sellers' forces are located on his premises, just down the hill on the Lexington pike, and a short distance from the public square. A third party, whose mission is to preserve or restore peace, occupy a corner building on the public square, between the two parties, and on the road to Lexington. No shooting since my last report.

The Circuit Court has not adjourned. The man named Yeakley, who was shot, was not the son-in-law of Kennedy, but the brother-in-law of that gentleman. The contested election case between Kennedy and Faulkner for the office of Circuit Court Clerk was set for to-day, but not tried. The business houses in the town are closed, and the people are in momentary expectation of further trouble.

ESCAPE OF THE NEGROES FROM SELLER'S HOUSE UNDER COVER OF THE SOLDIER'S GUNS.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 23.—The *Courier-Journal* has the following special dispatches:

STAMFORD, Sunday.

I am just in from Lancaster. Two hundred State Militia arrived there at 5:30 A. M., and camped on the public square. The negroes all scattered last night, and the whites are disbanded. All is quiet. A white man named Ward, who was in Sellers' house with negroes, was shot. Only one negro was killed. There were eighteen of them in the house which was burned, and they would have been killed but for the protection of the United States troops, under the cover of whose guns they escaped. A man named Foley, of Crab Orchard, belonging to the Kennedy party, was killed.

The house of Sellers would not have been burned yesterday if the negroes had not fortified themselves therein. Sellers was said to be in the camp of the United States soldiers. There is no immediate danger of further trouble. The blacks are greatly demoralized. Dr. Burdett, Mr. Yeakley, and child, who were wounded, are doing well. Nearly all the citizens left town for the country, but many will return to-day and to-morrow. Hon. R. M. Bradley, Circuit Judge *pro tem.*, got the Sheriff to take forty United States soldiers to protect the people. This was Tuesday last, and the soldiers arrived at the Court-house just as the blacks were marching toward it. The blacks then retreated. But for their timely action much more blood would have been shed. Had the soldiers been permitted to act as conservators of peace under the Sheriff but little damage would have been done. Why they were withdrawn is not known, but it is said that the commanding officer at Louisville ordered it.

The second dispatch gives substantially the same account as the *Gazette* special, sent early in the evening.

LANCASTER, Sunday—6 P. M.—Col. Clarke, commanding several squads of Kentucky troops, sent out some of his men on horses, and they went through the fields and roads to hunt up the negroes who were trying to overcome the whites. The blacks were all well armed. Col. Clarke returned with about thirty-five black prisoners at 4 P. M., and it is said the ringleaders have been arrested. Conflicting rumors prevail as to the number of negroes in arms. It is believed that no further trouble will be had and the utmost quiet prevails in the town and vicinity.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT OF THE RIOT.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Aug. 23.—A special dispatch to the *Gazette* from Danville, Ky., gives the following account of last night's troubles at Lancaster:

"A party from Lincoln County and the Kennedy party commenced firing on the negroes who occupied the Sellers property, and from all we can learn the negroes did no firing; they were fortified in Sellers' house, and occasionally came out to reconnoiter. The whites were under the command of Sheriff Sanders, of Lincoln County, who had his forces surrounding the Sellers property. About 4 o'clock the wood and coal houses immediately back of Sellers' residence were ignited by fireballs. These houses were in close proximity to the main building, to which the flames soon communicated. Town Marshal Miller and other citizens protested against firing the house, but without effect. Miller called upon Capt. Fletcher, in command of the United States troops, to assist him in protecting the building from fire, but the request was not heeded until the flames had control of the main building. About 6 o'clock Fletcher marched his forces to the public square. After his arrival a consultation was held between him and Sanders, commander of the white party, and it was agreed if Sanders would withdraw and disarm his men, Marshal Miller, with the assistance of the United States troops, would demand a surrender of the negroes, and the latter were to be placed under the protection of the troops as prisoners. At this time the fire in the main building of Sellers' house was beyond control, and the whites stationed around the house were withdrawn, except a small party who were stationed in Waldon's house, north-east from Sellers'. Marshal Miller, with Sanders, marched down in front of Sellers' house and called upon the negroes to come out and give up their arms. Ten negroes came running to the front gate with guns and pistols in their hands, and some of the troops, not understanding their intentions, called upon them not to come out of the yard, at the same time leveling their guns upon the negroes. Marshal Miller in the meantime kept continually calling on the negroes to lay down their arms. Amid the intense excitement which prevailed a shot was fired from some unknown source, followed by a volley. The soldiers, supposing they were being fired on by the party in the rear, turned and fired in that direction. Then the firing became general, and lasted several minutes, which was followed by the soldiers retreating with twenty-five negroes and three whites they had captured. Sellers' house was the only one burned. The following are the casualties: Killed—Foley, (white,) Doc. Reed, and another negro, name unknown; Ward, (white,) with Sellers and U. H. White, of Kennedy's party. The wounded are: Henry Singleton, (white,) Walker, Landram, (white,) and a negro, name unknown. Two hundred and a few more troops have arrived, and with the United States troops around to pre

THE SPRING STREET CHURCH

REV. GEO. M. McCAMPBELL'S CONGREGATION.

ITS HISTORY SINCE 1806—THE EARLY FOUNDERS—REV. DR. COX'S PASTORATE—REMINISCENCES OF THE ANTI-SLAVERY STRUGGLE—FULL LISTS OF OFFICERS—SKETCH OF THE PRESENT PASTOR.

The Spring Street Presbyterian Church, Spring street, near Varick, is one of the oldest and most memorable of its denomination in this City. Many of its members have belonged to some of the first families in old New-York, and not a few of its Pastors have been more than ordinarily noted for eminence in religious culture. While its history may not have been as stirring as that of some others, there are not wanting events in its career which prove that in all the requirements of an active and zealous church, constantly endeavoring to advance the spread of the Gospel, and reclaim the ignorant and neglected, it was and is one of the most deserving within the bounds of New-York. The events with which the foundation of the church are associated occurred, as definitely as can now be ascertained, about the years 1806-1809, and carry the mind back to the times when the present locality of the church was suburban to the City, which lay far to the southward, with not a few green slopes intervening. Hudson street was then the Bloomingdale road, and Canal street the site of a veritable canal and tow-path, crossed at Broadway by a wide bridge. The site of the "Tombs" was then a fish-pond. In this year two young men, named respectively John Morris and John Mills, were members of the Presbyterian Church in Wall street. While taking a stroll in each other's company one day they found their way into the north-western suburbs of the City and into the heart of the "village," as it was then called, at the corner of Spring and Varick streets. At that time there was no house of worship in the vicinity, those of the inhabitants who desired religious privileges being forced to walk a long distance to the eastward. Messrs. Morris and Mills were much struck at this condition of affairs, and, being young and zealous worshipers, determined to remedy the evil as far as lay in their power, and that speedily. Accordingly they made arrangements with the well-disposed inhabitants for a prayer-meeting to be held at a private residence in the "village" on the Sunday evening following. This location, with another that was subsequently chosen, was not thought favorable, and a room was secured in a small frame building near the site of the present church edifice. Here the young missionaries were greatly encouraged by enlarged attendance and increasing interest on the part of the outside public. Soon after this, at the instance of Col. Rutgers, they determined to purchase ground and erect a building. They wished to buy the property on which their then place of meeting was situated, but found the owner, an old lady, who made a living by selling fruit which she raised on the premises, decidedly averse to selling. On being tempted with a large price, however, she owned that the meetings were very interesting, and that it would be a pity to discontinue them, and finally agreed to convey the property to the would-be purchasers. The bargain having been consummated, preparations were at once made to erect a church edifice. The old shop came down, and a small frame building went up on its site. This, the original church edifice, stood about forty feet back from the front of the present building, with dimensions of 60 by 30 feet. A pulpit and sounding board were donated to the new congregation, by the old Wall Street Church, as well as a large number of pews and other church furniture. A more striking sight than this same pulpit when set up inside its new house could hardly be found in the whole range of church architecture. Its canopy reached nearly to the ceiling. An early member, writing of the church within a year of its dedication, describes it as a substantial house of wood, surmounted by a small belfry, and enclosed with a picket fence. A full church organization was effected, and Mr. John Morris, above referred to, ordained one of the Ruling Elders. This office he held until 1821, with fidelity to the church and honor to himself. In the last-named year he removed to Brooklyn, appearing again as pioneer in two or three other church organizations. This venerable Christian died a few years since, full of years and honor. At the time of his decease he was connected with the church of which T. De Witt Talmage is now Pastor. A thorough and consistent Christian, his memory is respected by all. The following anecdote, among many others, is told of this man by those who knew him: Accosted on the street one day by an old friend with the salutation, "Why, Father Morris, I didn't know you were in the land of the living." "No," replied the old man in a tremulous voice, "this is the land of the dying. The land of the living (raising his hand impressively) is yonder!"

The pulpit of Spring street was at first supplied by Rev. Mr. Rogers, co-pastor of Wall Street Church. His success was such that in one year the society felt itself able to call a clergyman. A selection was made in the person of Rev. Dr. Perrine, who was installed October, 1811. His pastorate continued until July, 1820, and was marked with ability and success. So endeared was he to the people that it is written of him, "The preacher and pastor was forgotten in the brother and friend." An urgent call from the college at Princeton terminated his stay in Spring street at the last-named date, and left the pulpit vacant for a period of six months. For some time the society were uncertain whom to call in his place. A young man was preaching at Mendham, N. J., whose ministerial qualifications and fame had gone abroad. To Mendham the session went. Upon invitation Rev. Samuel Hansen Cox preached in Spring street the following Sabbath. At a meeting of the congregation held that week, he received six votes of thirty cast. It was insisted upon that he be heard again. He preached. The result was thirty for and six against. Mr. Cox assumed the care of the church, and was installed Dec. 25, 1820. His thirteen years' service in the pastorate, were, perhaps, the most memorable of the church's history. Original in thought and independent in character, Dr. Cox was a man of remarkable intellectual power and organization, prosecuting with great zeal whatever he undertook. As a strong friend of negro emancipation, he early incurred the hatred of the vast majority of the rabble who were then, as afterward, arrayed on the side opposed to free speech. Exasperated by his bold and straightforward utterances, a mob collected one week-day evening in March, 1830, formed on the outside of the church edifice, and endeavored to break open the doors. Failing in this, missiles of various character were flung against its sides, the windows were burst open, and the interior disfigured in every manner conceivable. A second attempt of a similar character was made, but the congregation plucked up heart and turned out *en masse* for the defense of the edifice as well as of their Pastor. Guards were stationed inside and out, and the stones of the street torn up and formed into barricades. A *la Communne*. Many similar ways play formed from the

the mob failed to come. Both the church and the Pastor's residence were guarded for two weeks, by the end of which time the threats of violence had dwindled to mere whispers, and it was thought safe to diminish their precautions. The excitement soon subsided, and church work was resumed under a notoriety as conspicuous as it previously had been quiet and unobstrusive. Spring street at once took an important position among its sister churches. The City had now extended to Carmine street. The church lately almost alone in its field was surrounded by eager rivals, each striving to outstrip the other in the contest for supremacy. A state of affairs now arose in the society apparently as disastrous as its worst enemy, if it had one, could wish. A division ensued, the Pastor closing his relations with the congregation, and, accompanied by sixteen other members, seceding from the organization, and setting up the Laight Street Presbyterian (afterward Baptist) Church. Though then a blow at the integrity of the parent society, the movement added to the zeal of both organizations, and undoubtedly in the end resulted for good. Dr. Cox is yet living in venerable and honored age, having served long in his day and generation.

Rev. Henry G. Ludlow was the next Pastor, and was the first to preach in the pulpit of the new church—that now occupied by the congregation. He was installed Dec. 25, 1828, and continued to exercise his pastorate till April, 1837. His labors were greatly blessed in the salvation of souls. As many as eight revivals accompanied his ministry, and at one communion season eighty-three publicly professed their faith. A number of stories are told of the extraordinary power of exhortation possessed by this clergyman, all of which go to show that his capabilities in this respect, at least, were unrivalled. Rev. William Patton, D. D., was the successor of Dr. Ludlow, his installation taking place Oct. 11, 1837. His pastorate lasted over a period of ten years. Records show him to have been a workman that needed not to be ashamed, while his reputation as a preacher was high. His release from the church work dates Oct. 18, 1847. After some delay Rev. Dr. A. E. Campbell, of Cooperstown, N. Y., was elected to succeed him. His connection with the society lasted nine and a half years, terminating in 1848. The fourth Pastor was Rev. Luther Van Doren, installed Nov. 4, 1848, and released from the pastorate Dec. 4, 1854. After this came a period of stated supplies, Rev. C. C. Leeds, the first, and Rev. Robert Davidson, the second. In 1860 Rev. James D. Wilson, now at the head of the Central Presbyterian Church of this City, was called from Princeton Seminary to the vacant pastorate. His ministry lasted nine years. Rev. William Aikman, D. D., succeeded to the pulpit in March, 1869, remaining in office until April, 1872, when he accepted a call to Detroit, Mich. In 1860 a Young People's Prayer Meeting was established and held every Sabbath evening. This institution attained its greatest usefulness during the ministry of Mr. Wilson.

The church has not been without times of financial difficulty. In 1860 it was advertised for sale at $25,000, the incumbrances amounting to $18,000. By great efforts, exerted under the leadership of Mr. Mathias Clark, with the earnest co-operation of the Church, the entire indebtedness was removed and further improvements made. Among the gentlemen who especially interested themselves in this work were Mr. William E. Dodge, Sr., Mr. James Wetmore, and Mr. William E. Dodge, Jr.

At the present time the property is worth fully $100,000—the Trustees refusing an offer of $85,000 in cash. The Board of Trustees for 1874 consists of the following-named gentlemen: Daniel B. Pierson, President; J. F. Knapp, Secretary; William H. Miller, Treasurer; Edwin Wygant, John J. Braden, Charles McCulla, Wm. F. Barrett, Thomas Davis, and James F. Wilson.

REV. GEO. M. McCAMPBELL.

Rev. Geo. M. McCampbell was born on the 9th of September, 1841, in Jeffersonville, Ind. His father is a railroad financier and banker, and a ruling elder in the First Presbyterian Church, in that city. The family were hereditarily attached to this denomination, its history presenting an unbroken line of ancestry connected with that communion. Geo. McCampbell's boyhood was passed under the refining and enlightening influence of a Christian home. His earliest memories are those of a pious parentage. His associates and relatives were of a similar stamp, as an anecdote of one of the most valued of them shows. Dr. Samuel Merriweather, his maternal grandfather, a Surgeon in the army during the war of 1812, and a personal friend and companion of General, afterward President Taylor, used to take the boy to his office, and there read to him from a Testament that was kept on the office table the most beautiful of those passages which concerned the young, and thus early directed his mind toward the ministry. The value which the young hearer set upon these teachings may be inferred from the fact that to-day, in the pulpit of Spring street, he often reads the sacred lessons from the self-same volume. At the age of fifteen he left home for college. Hanover College, in Indiana, was the institution he had already selected for his literary education. After the usual college course in 1862, he graduated with the usual degree, and after another lapse of the same period received the full title of Master of Arts. Immediately on leaving college he entered the Union ranks as a member of the Engineer Corps of the Seventh Division of the Army of the Cumberland. Here he was associated with Capt. Craighill, Professor of Engineering at the West Point Military Academy, and saw more than one phase of military life. In the construction of fortifications at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., and at other points, he exerted his energies and talents in the cause of the nation. Though slender in stature and young in years, he amply and well discharged the duties of his position. On the retreat of the Army of the Cumberland from that section, he left the service and returned to the North. In September, 1863, he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, in which institution he continued his studies, preparatory to entering the ministry, for a period of over three years. He graduated in 1866, and before leaving the institution received a call to the First Presbyterian Church of Alexandria, Va. This was accepted, and the youthful Pastor immediately removed to his Southern home. Here, discouragement was in store for him. He was of Northern birth, and that was enough to prejudice him in the eyes of the devoted Southerners by whom he was surrounded. For two years the struggle continued, but it was a difficult task, and he felt that a further stay, under the circumstances, was impairing his usefulness to the Church and the community. Accordingly, in September, 1868, he tendered the society his resignation, and removed to Jeffersonville, his early home. Early in the following Summer he was invited to fill the pulpit of the church at Perth Amboy, N. J., but declined to accept the call. He was then appointed to supply the church in which he was baptized. This also was refused, for family reasons. A few months later he received a third invitation from the Brick Church in this City, to act as supply, in the absence of Rev. Mr. Lamb, to Rev. Dr. Gardner Spring. In this post he labored during the Summer of 1869, only leaving it in October following to accept a call from the First Presbyterian Church of Maysville, Ky. In this last pastorate his ministry was greatly blessed. The church grew and was strengthened, notwithstanding the political divisions in the community and among church people. On the 19th of November, 1872, he received and accepted an invitation to his present pulpit, his installation as Pastor taking place on the 19th of December of the same year. Mr. McCampbell is a fluent speaker, and always self-possessed and at ease in the pulpit. In person he is of the middle height, slender in stature, and of a warm and ardent temperament. The latter, however, is kept well in control by the strong and powerful intellect

the overwrought manifestations of religious feelings, which are in so many cases fraught, if not with positive harm, at least with discredit. In direct opposition to this, he strives to inculcate that calm, unostentatious, but deeply-rooted growth in religion which is much better calculated to withstand the trials of every-day life and every-day temptation. His sermons are marked by the same tone of thought, composed with care, and delivered with force and animation. As a pastoral and missionary worker in the outside circles which surround every prominent church, and in a measure look up to it for example and encouragement, Mr. McCampbell is worthy of all commendation. Judging from the expressed opinions of his people, as well as of his numerous admirers in the community, the pulpit he now occupies has never in late years been filled with a more earnest and thorough worker, or a more esteemed fellow-citizen.

SERMON BY REV. GEORGE M'CAMPBELL, YESTERDAY MORNING.

And the Spirit and the bride say come.—Revelations, xxii., 17.

I have three purposes in view this morning, which, by the help that cometh from above, I will endeavor to present to you. In the first place, that there are two great agents in the world; in the second place, there shall be an attempt to define these agents, and in the last place, it shall be our object to show the manner of operation of these great agents. These are simply, then, the lines of thought to which your attention is earnestly and respectfully invited. In the first place, I remark respecting the two great agents that are set before us in the text, that they are both described as being in the world—"the Spirit and the bride." Now, this description is not apparently to be grasped by your apprehensions at once. One is visionary, the other is material. The one is observable by the material eye; the other is comprehended only by the spiritual eye. They are in the world. There are those who disbelieve, however much they may be in the Church, in the manifestation of spiritual agencies among men, yet this "Spirit" of the text is exercised in the affairs of men. The third person of the Trinity is sent among men for this spiritual purpose, while Jesus performs the mediatorial work assigned to Him. The one, though unseen, is as thoroughly present as the other. The reason men don't believe in the personal existence of the Holy Spirit in the world lies probably in the fact that they don't see it, and yet there are unseen influences felt each day we live that we as clearly believe in as we do in our own existence. This is simply because the Scriptures call us into a childlike state of mind before we can receive and entertain and have our eyes open to behold this great truth. We reject it, characterizing it old women's fables and things hard to be understood, and thus now as in all ages past the stupidity and ignorance of men have arrested the progress of divine truth. Not alone is the personal presence of God in the world unquestionable, but it exercises an influence not merely over the Christian believer, but over the whole world. And by the world we do not mean this round sphere in which we live, but all that is being transacted in it, and all the agencies and operations of men. God has sent this Spirit in order that He may be the One that shall direct and lead the world into a comprehension, or at least an apprehension, of the great mission of the Lord Jesus Christ, and of the spirit of God as not effectively operating among men in all the agencies of life, in all the operations emanating from the genius that He put into man. If the Holy Spirit is not thus personally among men, how shall the world be led to the comprehension and reception of the Lord Jesus? For the Spirit taketh all the influences that are Christ's, and showeth them unto man. If, then, the Gospel is to all, if the "whomsoever" the text speaks of includes every man, I have no right, nor has any man in the discharge of ministerial duty the right to say that any soul in any community is precluded from the pale of salvation. Then, brethren, the Holy Spirit is in the world, a mighty agency, entreating men, and only longing to reveal the glory of God to man. Another great agency is the Church, which worketh out the spirit of the Lord. They are distant, yet co-operative. Now, the Lord God, in establishing His Church upon the rock and in the ascension, declared that He would send the Holy Spirit into the Apostolic Church, and all true churches are apostolic in the sense that they are successors directly of these holy men who were baptized by the Holy Ghost with fire from heaven. He thus testified that this Spirit, this individual person, should be in the Church, working and leading and co-operating in all enterprises, in all truth, in all development for God's glory and honor. Hence it is that there are such good results produced in the Church of God where there is a revival of the Spirit and an outpouring of the grace of the Holy Ghost, and hence it is that there is such dearth and leanness, poverty and distress, such vacancy of views, such vacancy of heart, and such want of life, when we separate these great agencies, the Holy Spirit and the Church. But, again, in the third place they are both divine. We have fallen upon times when this question is very much discussed upon our highways, in our home circles, but not so frequently in the Church of God. Men of the world don't believe that these two great agents are essential and really divine, or that the Church is as divine as the Spirit of God working in it. This fallacy arises from a misapprehension of the organization of the Church. The Church is not composed of a few independent denominations of Christians. The Church of God is thoroughly a divine organization; though seen, it is a divine organization as if it were unseen; and it is in accordance with all the declarations of Scripture that this shall be a mixed community until that great day when the chaff shall be separated from the wheat; when He who is the great administrator of affairs shall separate the unjust, the tares, the wicked from the unholy, the filthy from the clean. I say it is in perfect unity with all God's teachings respecting the Church and its mission that its divinity is inseparable from the divinity of the Holy Ghost. Again, in the text we have the truth that one is wholly unseen, and the other both seen and unseen. There is such a connection between the seen and the unseen Church of God that the true believers of the visible Church are constantly brought into contact with the unseen influences of the spiritual Church, and these very unseen influences help to develop and make the strong Christians that do the great work of God's kingdom among men. It is by looking constantly at the visible Church that we are brought to the knowledge of the unseen Spirit, and we are made believers strong in the trust and confidence of God. These believers are the recipients of experiences and joys and comforts and consolations that are as far beyond the reach of the unbelieving as the sun's rising is from its setting.

Having considered these great agencies, believing them to be actualities and to be in the world; having discovered them as distinct yet co-operating; believing them to be equally divine and wholly unseen, and the other both seen and unseen, we discover in the next place that both of these are vocal agencies and utter their voices. The utterance and the voice of each of these agencies that God is developing now in the experience of the world is vocal; each one possesses a voice peculiarly its own. What is the voice, the ordinary voice of the Spirit? Is it found in the manifestations of the religious? Is it found in the chief seats of the synagogue? Is it found hanging out from banners in the storehouses in the thoroughfares of the City? Do you need to go into a man's house and hail him, saying, "I am a Christian," to be recognized as one? Not a bit of it. You need only walk quietly through the street following your ordinary avocations, and silently but forcibly the mysterious influences of religion will proclaim that you are a Christian. That is the voice of Scripture. Elijah, as he fled from his duty across the desert, was taught this one lesson, and as the earth trembled and the lightning flashed and the thunders roared, the old man came out of the cave to see the manifestation of God in them. He did see God's manifestation in nature, but there was another manifestation that he needed, and it was the manifestation of God spiritually. He listened for another manifestation, and it came, and it is recorded in this book that a still, small voice, which Elijah at once recognized, whispered to him, and he turned himself back to the discharge of his duty, and brought the Kingdom of God to honor, prominence, and blessing. The utterance then of the Spirit, brethren, is silently spoken in the heart of every accepted Christian, but as to the voice of the Church, I maintain that it is also silent. Summon the multitudes redeemed by the grace of the Church, trace its progress step by step to its present exalted and glorious position, and how it began! It had for its promulgators twelve humble fishermen, but its doctrines and tenets were so simple that the youngest children before me can understand it. Simplicity, directness, power, and force were its characteristics. These were its mighty influences, and these were the agencies and these the voices that are proclaiming to man the most dread, momentous, and startling utterance. Consider briefly what this utterance is. It is contained in the word "come." In the gospel which we had for our first lesson this morning, we read that there was a marriage feast prepared by a king, and the text called your attention to the Church as a "bride." It calls your thought out to a conception of the bridegroom, away from his bride, expecting to return, and the gospel tells you that all things were ready. The Spirit is ready, and many of you, indeed, may have some similar experience. You have been waiting for some wonderful development, some mighty manifestation of duty, or revelation of God, and expecting an invitation to come. Yet these blessings are prepared for you by the bride, whose servants have stood here for years, and are standing in all the churches of the City, and in all the cities of the earth, saying, "Come, for all things are ready." "Come" is the utterance. Come where? Come to the bride. But where is the bride? The Church. Come into the Church, and unite yourself to it. Oh! do you know how many of you are not Christians? Do you know, sir, if you are to you, that

the fullest benefits at this marriage feast of the great Tribune is a simple entrance into the ordained prescribed method of carrying on God's Kingdom among men? A gentleman who has grown to prominence among Christians, speaking of this obligation, said that he was kept from the enjoyment of salvation because he did not recognize these two great objects of God, the Spirit and the Church, and when he came into the Church one of its baptized children, it was his first step to eternal life, and he now rejoiced to believe with all his heart in the truth of God's divine instrument for the education and the comfort and the joy and salvation of mankind. Now, as to the modes of operations of these two great agencies among men. The first great object is to be persuaded that God is reconciled to man. It is hard to persuade men to this. From the days of the ancient offerings in the temple and the tabernacle unto this last day, when a full and sufficient offering had been made, you can go anywhere and find men who don't understand the great truth that one offering has been made once for all, and that Jesus Christ was sacrificed for the trespasses of humanity. Oh, here to-day, brothers, sisters, friends, believe in your hearts, with all your mind and soul, that God is not only reconciled this hour, but has been reconciled from eternity to whosoever will be reconciled. We are told by the text to come to God, and that coming includes justification. What is it to come? It is to leave one place and go to another. Are you conscious of transgressions and unpardonable sins? then turn your back on these sins and go there. Are you tempted? then resist the temptation, turn from it with an eye to Christ, and he who has tempted you will flee as darkness before the morning light, for the light you secure is the light which comes from Jesus. Have you been guilty of indulgence? then be guilty no longer, but follow the precepts of the Bible. If you are sick turn to the great physician whose career on earth was signalized by His devotion to the helpless. Remember that Christ is unchanged. If He is changed then He is not infallible. He has not changed, for He is the same yesterday, to-day, and forever, the first and the last, and it may dawn upon your vision before many hours shall pass that your sickness was sprouting in you by this Spirit to bring you to the realization that Christ was the physician and pastor of your souls. And you will find yourself refreshed as the early Christians were refreshed, and turned from their idolatry, from lust, from hate, from malice, from envy, to the love, and meekness, and humility, and the gentleness of the love that is in Jesus Christ.

Again, with respect to this mode of operation, you will find that these two great agents guide men to the truth. There is nothing that is more certain to-day in the intellectual experience of the world than that men are seeking for the truth. They will not acknowledge it, but if you can get at the hearts of many men to-day and put the question "What is the truth?" the answering response must be, Jesus Christ. If a friend should ask you where shall truth be found, reply "In the Church," mindful of the words of Jesus, "I will send you a comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, who shall lead you into all truth." How shall you know when you are led into the truth? Go where the truth is preached and loved and manifested. If it be in Methodism, Presbyterianism, or any other form of belief, go to that church, and you will be led to the place where truth is found. Oh! let your tongues be sealed in the midst of the apostacies of the present time! We have come upon days of ministerial and official apostacy in this very adorned and glorified Church of the Redeemer, and in your actions remember the lessons of the Scripture. Remember when the poor woman taken in sin was brought before Christ he said to her accusers, "Let him who is without sin cast the first stone at her," and one by one they retired abashed. We have all been guilty of sin; let us pray for those who have been despitefully used, and those who have despitefully used themselves; for the God of all glory was maltreated. The last thought is that the Church of Christ and the spirit of Christ will bring men where they may be helped and brought to God the Father. May God add His blessing to this truth, and may these Divine agencies continue to direct men toward the light of Heaven. May this bring every one of you to be made partakers of the goodness of the Church of Christ. Amen.

THE PLANTS OF SHAKESPEARE.

Of our English wild flowers, says the *Garden*, Shakespeare mentions about fifteen, alluding to some only once or twice. Of exotic flowers, or such as were cultivated in the scanty gardens of his period, more than 300 years ago, he mentions nine or ten. Of trees and shrubs, exotics included, there are notices of about twenty-five. Of fruits, whether ripened in England or imported from foreign countries, I find the names—sometimes often recurrent—of about thirty. Vegetables are spoken of in about equal proportion. Products of the nature of spices and medicines are mentioned to the extent of about a score; and the same is about the number of what are contemptuously called "weeds." The total thus is about 150, or very considerably higher—I think considerably more than double that of the total to be found in "Milton"—and considerably exceeding that of the plants mentioned by the next who is most copious in allusion to plants, the ancient Roman poet in whose "Georgics" and "Eneid" the references are so frequent and diversified. Shakespeare, we must remember, did not set out with the view of talking of trees and plants. His designs were very different, and the allusions are only casual and incidental, a circumstance which renders the total of 150 truly remarkable. In reference to this total we must remember, again, that three centuries ago botany had scarcely found its feet, and that few of our English wild flowers had been discriminated. Shakespeare had no "floras" to consult; it is doubtful if he could have found even a botanical teacher. The only books upon plants then in existence were the writings, in Greek, of Theophrastus and Dioscorides, and, in Latin, of Pliny and Columella, with such "herbals" and "histories" as had been produced in his own age; those, for example, of Fuchsius and William Bulleyn. Shakespeare's library was nature; his vocabulary was little more than the vernacular; and glorious is the use he has made of these. It seems to me that we ought to be thankful that he lived in an age when science was not yet fledged; when there were neither Eschscholtzias or Odontoglossums. Having only simple plants to deal with, he has shown us how all comes right to a master, that the cowslip is every bit as good an illustration, and comes charged with as much beauty as the proudest lælia, or any other floral aristocrat that fetches ten guineas a root.

ANOTHER PRISON CONGRESS.

The International Prison Congress, which assembled in London, in July, 1872, under the presidency of the Earl of Carnarvon, is considered, says the *Times*, to have been so useful to the progress of the questions then discussed that another similar Congress is to be held in 1876. This decision was arrived at by the International Penitentiary Commission, which has just met at Brussels, and of which Rev. Dr. E. C. Wines, of New-York, was Chairman, a gentleman to whose great ability and perseverance the first Congress was as largely indebted for its success, and who was accredited by President Grant to represent the United States Government on that occasion. The place at which the next Congress is to be held is not at present determined, but will probably be at Brussels, Paris, or Geneva. It is intended that the subjects to be then discussed shall be more carefully limited and selected than at the London gathering; also that the votes of official representatives shall be taken and recorded on the subjects brought forward. Further regulations as to the proceedings will be arranged at the next annual meeting of the Commission, which will be held at Bruchsal, in Baden, in August, 1875, under the chairmanship of M. Stevens, the experienced Inspector General of Belgian Prisons. Meanwhile a monthly *International Bulletin for the Study of Penitentiary Reform* will be issued in the French language by Signor Beltrani Scalia, Inspector of Italian Prisons. Information and papers on the questions to be discussed will also be circulated in English by the American Prison Association, New-York, and by the London Howard Association. The Penitentiary Commission is inviting a complete series of criminal statistics from the various Governments, and has already received comprehensive returns of this nature from the Governments of Italy, Holland, Belgium, Hungary, Sweden, and Saxony.

RIVER WATER IN ENGLAND.

The condition of the waters of some of the rivers in this country, says the *Pall Mall Gazette*, is now so horrible that those who fall into them run the risk, not so much of being drowned as of being poisoned. This was the case with an unfortunate man on whose body an inquest was held by the Coroner at Salford. It seems the deceased fell into the Irwell while looking at the regatta, and according to the medical evidence the cause of his death was the foulness of the water. He had been in the river about ten minutes when he was helped out, but died in forth-eight hours. He was, it is stated, a teetotaller, and, probably being accustomed to drink pure water, the filthy liquor he imbibed in the Irwell told upon him with double severity. His medical attendant, after detailing the ailments from which the deceased died, and which were caused, he said, by immersion in the water, mentioned that many of his (witness') patients were suffering from illness caused by inhaling the noxious gases of the river while they watched the regatta crews practicing. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death; but death under such circumstances can hardly be called an accident. It is a positive certainty that any person who even strolls on the banks of the Irwell incurs the danger of death by disease, while those who fall into what are termed its "waters" might as well plunge into a bath of prussic acid. This is a distressing state of affairs to any but those who contemplate suicide, and who, of course, delight in the double deathliness of this filthy river. There will also be considerable amusement in intemperate circles at this additional proof—if, indeed, any were needed—of the dangers to which water drinkers are exposed; nor can there be any doubt that many persons are driven to drink adulterated gin and beer in despair of obtaining pure water.

PERE HYACINTHE.

The following is the text of the letter of resignation sent in by Pere Hyacinthe to the members of the Swiss Conseil d'Etat:

M. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN: Attached as I am from the very depths of my heart to the Catholic Church, in which I have been baptised, and whose reform, not overthrow, *(bouleversement,)* I desire; convinced, besides, by an experience now sufficiently prolonged, that the spirit which prevails in the Liberal Catholic movement in Geneva is neither liberal in politics nor Catholic in religion, I have the honor of presenting you the resignation of my office as curé of the parish of this city. ACCEPTED.

THE CATTLE TRADE.

THE STOCK-RAISING DISTRICTS OF THE WEST.

GREAT INCREASE IN TRADE—THE NUMBER TRANSPORTED BY RAILROAD—IMMENSE HERDS OF CATTLE—THE DROVER'S LIFE—THE TEXAN TRADE.

From Our Own Correspondent.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Monday, Aug. 17, 1874.

Those who have watched the course of the cattle trade in Kansas and the Territories lying West, during the past four years, have seen, with its great growth, a constant changing of trails and shipping points, so that one whose travels are not frequent through this country finds himself surprised and lost at almost every step. Your correspondent visited Abilene in the Summer of 1870, and recollects the vast herds in the vicinity, the long stock trains going out daily, the singularly busy aspect of everything about the town, the herders, with their long whips, belts stuffed with revolvers, spurring their horses here and there, or shambling along the streets in that loose-jointed fashion so characteristic of the Texas stockman. From night till morning, and through the broad day, too, the click of billiards and keno was heard on every side. Few frontier towns could boast of the amount of business, the bluster, or the vice of Abilene. Herds were often gambled away, and often the prospective millionaire, who had successfully run the Indian raids and reached this point within three days' journey of the market where his cattle would be converted into cash, has in a single hour lost his all at the gaming-table, and has seen his stock go to Chicago in other hands. Abilene was in those days the great stock mart of the West. No town in Kansas dreamed of ever rivaling her in this respect. Buildings were going up on every hand, banks were started, the Drovers' and other large hotels erected, and few travelers for business or pleasure thought of passing that way without stopping to visit the "Brighton of the West." But we noticed even at that day, with great prosperity enriching so many, that there were antagonistic elements at work. The large colony of Obioans who had settled on the north side of the railroad, and whose occupation was mostly farming and gardening, regarded, with a constant muttering this centring of the cattle trade at their doors. They thought herding a "poor business," were blind to its apparent prosperity, and did everything in their power to discourage the trade. The herders and farmers were soon at loggerheads. While the one complained and threatened because their shipping facilities were gradually being shut off and the herds frequently stampeded by some tricks of the townsfolk, the other cursed the traders for allowing stock to run at large, ruin gardens, and place all the denizens in constant dread of life and limb by the almost daily raids of an army of Texas steers through the streets.

While other causes, such as changing of trails to secure better routes, feed, or water, and the opening of railroads into the South-west nearer the cattle supply, and the efforts to get the trade to other points by parties anxious to build up a town or make a fortune out of town lots, contributed largely to its downfall, yet the almost daily broils between the townies and the "cow punchers" is the chief cause which led to the desertion of Abilene. It is to-day a thriftless, dead town, its hotels and saloons rarely entertaining a guest, its shop-keepers sighing for trade and its neighborhood farmers and gardeners looking in vain for a good market. Their farms and gardens do well, but the town which they thought would prosper without the help of the stock business looks as if it were done for. Every clapboard and shingle in the buildings seems to be on the point of bidding good-bye to the others. Here and there some evidence of life is left; but speaking of Abilene in a general way, its glory is departed. No wonder that the citizen glances wistfully about him, and sees Parsons, Salina, Wichita, Ellsworth, and a score of other places which four years ago had no existence, now distancing Abilene in the race, and enjoying an enlarged and substantial prosperity.

In speaking of this changed condition of cattle marts and the cattle trade, it is noticeable that the opening of a second east and west trunk line, namely, the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad, through South-western Kansas, has had much to do with bringing about this new order of things. The line of that road has now the principal cattle marts of Kansas. At the same time, owing to the constant increase in the business, the Kansas Pacific shows a great gain over last year, and at this time, the height of the season, is running extra stock trains to satisfy the demands for transportation. The principal shipping points on this road are Salina, Ellsworth, Bunker Hill, Brookville, and Carson, while small shipments are still made from Abilene. A statement from the books of the Auditor of the Kansas Pacific Railway gives a comparative exhibit of the business, and shows the number of car-loads carried during the first seven months of this and last year. It shows a total of 1,666 car-loads for the first seven months of 1874, as against 1,153 for the same period of 1873. A car-load will average about sixteen head of cattle, so the figures for the first half of 1874 show the shipment of about 26,700 cattle, and those of 1873 about 18,500. Almost the whole of this stock was taken to Kansas City, and there distributed to Chicago or St. Louis, while some went eastward via Leavensworth and the Rock Island route.

The shipments of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad are greatly in excess of those of the Kansas Pacific. The principal points along this line are Wichita, Hutchinson, Newton, and Great Bend. The Auditor's book of the number of cattle which were carried during the first half of 1874, as against 54,320 for the first half of 1873, this year's shipments thus far being nearly four times greater than last year's.

The fact that both the leading railways show so marked an increase in the trade is significant, in view of the fact that the general impression throughout the West was that the Texas cattle business would be small this year, owing to the scarcity of money and the unfortunate and ruinous ventures made by large dealers last year. It is a fact that all the cattle men, from the Missouri River to the Rocky Mountains and from Wyoming to Texas, are unanimous in their complaints that there was no money in the business last year. It is also noticeable, that financial troubles and one cause and another, that many of the most venturesome and largest dealers do not appear on the boards at all now, and numerous new operators, on a large scale, have taken their places. Hence at the various shipping points are just beginning to pick up, foreshadowing great activity. The season of large shipments cannot be said to have fairly begun. The remainder of this month, with September and October, constitute the busy period. It is thought that there are sufficient cattle awaiting shipment near the principal marts, for the next three months, to equal the entire shipments of the first half of the year. Should this prove true the entire shipments of this year (counting December and the last half of November as almost nothing) by the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fé Railroad will reach nearly 400,000 head. This is a surprising fact, considering that the Texas cattle trade, wholly built up, so far as Kansas is concerned, in the past seven years, was monopolized until three years ago by the Kansas Pacific and the Gulf railroads. The Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fé Railroad, as its extension progressed, crossed the old, popular trails south of the Kansas Pacific, placing stock at once one or two days' drive nearer good shipping points, and of course cutting off to some extent a growing business. Nevertheless there are such good facilities offered to drovers along the route that many of the large herders prefer to drive a hundred miles further and ship by the Kansas Pacific, enabling the latter road still to maintain a very large and growing business.

What this business is, and how it is increasing, on the Kansas Pacific, may be inferred from the fact that in the first year in which the trail was opened only 37,401 cattle were carried over the road, the number transported in 1873 amounted to 164,820. While the great share of the stock trade is represented in the shipments of the two trunk railways, from whose books the statistics given have been quoted, it must not be forgotten that there is a large business springing up at Coffeyville, Independence and Humboldt, on the Leavenworth, Lawrence and Galveston Railroad; at Baxter Springs, Columbus, Girard, and Fort Scott, on the Fort Scott and Gulf Railroad, and Clay Centre and Watersville, on the Central Branch Union Pacific Road. The shipments to Kansas City from these various points are considerable. That the exhibit may be more complete, and show something of the extent of this business, I have prepared the subjoined table, which will show the receipts of cattle at Kansas City by the different railways of Kansas during the last two years:

	1873.	1872.
Kansas-Pacific Railroad	158,131	135,963
Fort Scott and Gulf	19,795	25,744
Leavenworth, Lawrence and Galveston	29,301	28,652
Total	202,227	190,359

The number of cattle received at Kansas City for 1873, viz., 202,227, were worth on an average $15 per head in that market, making a total of $3,033,405. Appreciating the great importance of this business, and the profits derived from it, the banks of Kansas City, at all the shipping points, and the principal towns from the Missouri to Denver, make it a specialty to solicit stock-men's accounts, and to grant them such accommodations as they may require. As far west as Pueblo, in the Arkansas Valley, they have the "Stock-growers' Bank," the Bullionic, of course, recognizing the value of this trade and extend all the facilities that they can to the class of customers. Shipping yards and new houses are being built by the [illegible]

much to the advantage of the shipper, but not long since a joint tariff was agreed upon, which I think is well adhered to. It includes all the railways in Kansas, and fixes the rate of transport per car-load to the different marts.

A large proportion of the cattle from Texas are driven westward into the Territories. There they fatten for the market, and provide beef for the growing cities and towns, mining regions, and military posts. It is thought that the entire drive from Texas this year into Kansas will number over 600,000 head. Perhaps one-fourth of these go into Colorado and Wyoming and westward to Utah, while most of the balance seek the eastern market. At this season of the year one will be struck with the appearance of the numerous and fine-looking herds grazing along the Arkansas Valley from Wichita as far west as Sargent, and thence scattered at intervals to the foot of the mountains. As a sample of the size of these herds I might mention that a list of forty-three herds in the vicinity showed a total of 32,905 head of cattle. While it is claimed that the drive to Wichita this year will not exceed 160,000 head, not much over one-half what it was last year, some of the other towns on the line of the railroad having been found more accessible for shipment, yet it is noticeable that the quality of the stock is apparently much better than that of former seasons.

The further the flocks get westward the greater their tendency to increase in size. In the vicinity of Hugo, on the Kansas Pacific, about 100 miles beyond the eastern borders of Kansas, some of the old plainsmen have formed a stock company, and control from 20,000 to 30,000 head. There are huge herds also near Ellsworth and Bunker Hill. Down on the Arkansas, near Fort Lyon, the children of Kit Carson and one or two of his old comrades own herds of from 3,000 to 5,000 head. On the Laramie Plains, Northward, Creighton & Co. have a herd of 15,000 cattle, J. W. Iliff 12,000, E. Creighton, 9,000; Taylor, Gaylord & Co. 5,000. There are over twenty herds, numbering from 1,000 to 5,000 each. In the parks of Colorado extensive flocks will also be found. Throughout the middle and south eastern portions of Kansas a

RAILROAD INTERESTS.

THE MIDLAND RAILROAD.

PRESENT CRITICAL CONDITION OF THE ROAD — PROFITS OF ITS BRANCHES — THE QUESTION OF TAXATION.

From the Utica Herald, Aug. 21.

The difficulties of the Midland Railway have increased so rapidly of late that the public need not be surprised if it shall learn that the road has suspended business altogether pending the sale on foreclosure. The current receipts under the present management have not been sufficient to pay the running expenses of the road, much less its rapidly accruing obligations. The employes have not been paid since the 1st of June. Receiver Hewitt recently issued a circular apologizing for further delay on the ground that the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company had refused to pay over some $35,000 due to the road for coal transportation. The company's excuse for this refusal is based upon the fact that the Midland has failed to pay the semi-annual rental for the Utica, Clinton, and Binghamton Railroad, and the Rome and Clinton Railroad. The coal company is the surety of the Midland in the lease of these roads, and expects to be obliged to make good the over-due rental. This amounts to $47,000, the total rental for the two roads being $94,000 a year. On the 26th of this month the sixty days expire which the law allows to the Midland Railroad to make good its obligations, under the lease. We have the best of reasons for believing that, upon that day, the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company will take possession of the Clinton roads, and thereafter run them. News reached this city yesterday that the adjustment of the difficulties between the two companies had been effected. What the terms of this adjustment are it was impossible to discover, except that the Hudson Canal Company will not pay the Midland the $35,000 which it owes on coal freights. If it had been otherwise, the paymaster of the Midland would be under instructions to pay the employes the full amount past due to them. As it is, the car starts to-day to pay the men one-sixth of their back wages. Yesterday the Midland Company resumed the transportation of the Canal Company's coal, after refusing to carry it for three days.

The surrender of the Clinton branch is just now looked upon as the best thing that can happen to that road. No repairs have been put upon it since the commencement of the lease, and the whole line is in a most wretched condition. Many tons of new rails are needed, as well as some 10,000 new ties, to make it safe for the Winter. The branches from Utica to Smith's Valley, and from Rome to Clinton, have paid a handsome profit above their expenses. This is more than can be said of the main road.

The whole difficulty is the result of bad Midland management. The last Legislature passed an act directing that the property of the Midland Railroad be hereafter subjected to assessment and taxation. Assessors along the line are taking steps to discharge their duty under the law. Mr. Newell publishes a letter declaring the inability of the road to meet this tax. He takes counsel of his General Superintendent as to the advisability of resisting payment on the ground of the alleged illegality of the act of the Legislature. Such a resistance will gain time, but it does not seem likely that it can be otherwise successful. The people along the line of the road would willingly unite with the Receiver in the endeavor to resist the collection of the tax with a view to the ultimate repeal of the statute, if they had any assurance that such a course would insure the continued operation of the road. The suspension of business would undoubtedly prove a great hardship to the people residing along its line. But it is feared that such a suspension cannot be much longer delayed. It is nowhere charged that Receiver Hewitt has not been efficient and honest in the management of the road since it fell into his hands. He has had difficulties to contend with which were insurmountable. It is not anticipated that the sale of the road will be made before the close of the year. Meanwhile the first mortgage bondholders have as yet united upon no plan of action regarding the purchase of the road, or the securing of their bonds. Its early suspension would be an advantage to them by decreasing the amount of indebtedness which is now daily increasing, and whose payment is contemplated in all plans of reorganization yet suggested. There is no doubt in our minds, as there never has been, that the Midland Railroad can ultimately be brought into a condition where it will pay the interest on a limited amount of indebtedness, and prove of great benefit in developing the country through which it runs. But great changes must be effected before that day arrives.

THE CLIFTON RAILROAD WAR.

THE CONDITION OF AFFAIRS ON FRIDAY — WHAT THE CONTESTING PARTIES CLAIM.

Correspondence of the Rochester *Democrat*, from Clifton, Ontario, Friday afternoon, 21st inst., furnishes the following respecting the strife between the Canada Southern and Great Western Railways:

"The Great Western Railroad claim that they have leased the suspension bridge at a rental of $45,000 per year for ninety-nine years, and they demand of the Canada Southern Railroad an equivalent for the use of the bridge, which the latter refuse, as the courts have decided that the bridge is a public highway. Thus, the clans are marshaled against each other. The employes of the Canada Southern Railroad, under the directions of Chief Engineer Flagg, are steadily laying their tracks and rails to the approaches of the bridge on the Clifton (Ontario) side of the river. The Great Western Railroad men are on hand with engines fired up, placed on the track, and threaten to scald any man that attempts to remove the rolling stock that now blockades the approach to the bridge. Superintendent Flagg was driven off from surveying last evening by hot water. He was recalled, and again there also were seven or eight efforts. Some of the men on both sides got into a little scrimmage, throwing spikes and crowbars at each other, but no one was dangerously injured, only a few scalp-wounds being the result of the fray. A report has just reached me that several men who were surveying party of the Canada Southern road have been scalded by steam, but I cannot find the facts to warrant the statement, although the excitement was high. Another rumor is that 1,000 men are on their way to the Suspension Bridge from the approaches to the bridge and lay the tracks of the Canada Southern Railroad. If the rumor has any foundation in fact, the Canada Southern men will find that the Great Western men are ready to receive them with plenty of hot water and muscle. There seems to be a determination on the part of both parties to conquer or die in the attempt. I learn that the Sheriff of Clifton has summoned a posse to hold themselves in readiness to prevent bloodshed in case of a riot; but unless the posse is made up of men of nerve, I feel that it will be further from the thought, as blood seems to be in the eyes of men on both sides. I must say this much for the contending parties, that the only beverage I have seen them use, to invite them to deeds of daring, is 'sparking water'—none of the liquid fire-water that inflames man's baser passions, and takes away what little reason he is possessed of, as used by either party. Whatever may be the opinions of others, I think, eventually, the Canada Southern Railroad must come out ahead, as the courts, as well as the citizens of Clifton favor this company. The whole thing, in my mind, is simply complicated—a complication which the courts alone can disentangle. In the meantime, if the Canada Southern Railroad can get a foothold on the bridge, they will be willing to let the courts drag the matter along to the hearts' content of both parties.

Workmen have been engaged all day leveling up the track already laid. At 4 o'clock they had laid their last rail up to the cow-catcher of the offending obstruction, when the rain set in and prevented any further operation. To-morrow operations will be again commenced, and there is immense excitement as the probable action of the Great Western authorities on extending the next rail. One thing is certain; before another rail can be laid the engine must be removed from the bridge company's lands, and the question to be decided is, Who is going to do it? The bridge Superintendent says he is neutral in the matter, and will be governed by the Directors' advice. The probabilities are that the Southern will order its removal. If it is not done it will probably undertake it. We could get no definite information from the officers as to to-morrow's operations. They say they shall comply with the law only.

TIMING RAILROAD TRAINS.

The following account of a novel invention is given by the Terre Haute (Ind.) *Journal*: "The chief subject of interest on the east division of the Vandalia Railroad now is an ingenious arrangement for recording the rate of motion of railroad cars. A specimen is now on trial on caboose No. 10, now running between this city and Indianapolis. In the caboose, attached to one side, is an iron box, with a glass front, the key of which is kept by the officers of the line. There is a common clock in the box. A spiral thread is fastened upon one of the axles of the car, which turns a wheel over the axle. This communicates its motion to a set of rods, which in turn move another small wheel on the edge of the car, and to again turn a small rod which projects upward into the iron box before mentioned, and moves a pencil point slowly back and forth across a long and narrow sheet of paper, wound upon a small drum, the drum being turned at a constant rate of progression by the clock-work. The paper is ruled in red lines into very small sections, every fourth line the short way being a dotted line, representing a mile. Now, as the pencil is moved slowly across the paper by the rods, their motion being governed by the rate of the axle, and as the paper is slowly moved forward by the clock-work, at a uniform rate, the pencil point makes a diagonal line across the paper back and forth. If the car goes a mile in four minutes the line will cross just four sections diagonally from one dotted line to the next one. If it goes a mile in two minutes the line will pass forward more rapidly, crossing only two sections diagonally. And thus the rate of the car, and consequently the rate of the train, is recorded by the pencil point on the paper. If the train stops the line crosses the paper directly and not diagonally, and the time in minutes it stops is shown by the number of sections crossed in that manner. The names of the stations along the road are written at the proper places on the paper. And thus the exact rate made at any point on the line can be found afterward. If the train stops it can be told how long it stopped and where. If the wheels are locked and allowed to drag, it can be told how far they dragged and where. All fraudulent or reckless rates of progression can be unerringly detected, and if the train is run faster or slower than is allowed the 'bosses' are sure to know it. The railroad men are charmed with the ingenious arrangement. The specimen on No. 10 has now been in use for several days and is found to work well. The man who invented it is at work on a machine which will record the amount of resistance, in pounds, to be overcome in pulling any train up any grade."

CANADIAN AID TO RAILROADS.

From the Toronto Globe, Aug. 20.

"Liberal encouragement to railroads" may be said to be the motto of both political parties, and of all politicians with very few exceptions. Controversy has arisen not so much with respect to the question of giving aid, as to the mode of giving it, and the extent to which the Executive Government shall be permitted to determine what lines shall receive assistance, and to what amount. The Liberal Party came into power in Ontario on this very issue. They were no less anxious to see these great undertakings developed than their predecessors. But Mr. Sandfield Macdonald and his colleagues insisted that they and they alone should manipulate the funds appropriated for the purpose, while the reformers stood by the old safeguards of the Constitution, and declared that this was a matter for the representatives of the people alone to determine. That the new Administration were disposed to act in no niggard spirit was shown by the additional grants proposed by Mr. Blake as soon as he came into office. And no one can deny this liberality has been highly beneficial to the province, while the control of the Legislature has rendered it next to impossible that, even if so disposed, the distribution of the railway fund could be affected by partisanship, or become instrumental as a means of corruption. The example set by the Legislature has been largely copied by the municipalities, and bonuses for local railways have been voted with great alacrity in all directions. But the money appropriated by the Legislature and the municipal grants have been made on the understanding that they should be final. When once aided by a present in cash from the public treasury or local contributions, the success of the assisted enterprise has been remitted to the keeping of its promoters, or, more correctly speaking, of its stock or bond holders. Nothing would be more demoralizing to the railway companies themselves, or more objectionable in a political sense, than that at every punch a railroad should be coming begging for Government help. There is a great deal of dissatisfaction at present on the line of some roads because they have not been opened for traffic. It is said that, while on the one hand the Government is asked to prevent money contributed by municipalities from being paid until the company shows a disposition to complete its engagements, on the other the company is a suitor for more aid from the Treasury. In the one case the Government, as in a certain sense a trustee, will, we do not doubt, act strictly according to the provisions of the law. The other is one of policy, and one, too, on which no hesitation in arriving at a decision should be shown for a moment. Special legislation would be altogether out of the question, for reasons already suggested, and the general railway fund is so nearly appropriated that whatever may remain in, or revert to, the Treasury, through Orders in Council lapsing, will be needed for those railways that come strictly within the intentions of the act, and that may be depending for their final arrangements on receiving the same proportionate aid as others. But if the means at hand were ever so abundant, the interference of the Government would be wrong in principle, and therefore to be deprecated.

THE COAL TRADE.

TRADE OF THE PAST WEEK—SUSPENSION OF COLLIERIES.

From the Pottsville (Penn.) Miners' Journal, Aug. 21.

The quantity sent from this region for the last week was 84,961 tons by rail and 19,076 tons by canal; for the week, 104,037 tons, against 99,779 for the corresponding week last year; increase for the week, 4,258 tons. The quantity sent for the week from all the regions was 386,942 tons anthracite and 77,813 tons bituminous; for the week, 464,755 tons, against 490,093 tons for the corresponding week last year; decrease for the week, 25,338 tons. The whole supply sent from all the regions so far this year foots up 13,019,795 tons, against 13,781,619 to same period last year; decrease so far this year, 762,029 tons. The decrease in anthracite is 849,593 tons.

The trade is exceedingly dull, and stocks had commenced accumulating at competing points on the canal to such an extent that all the collieries of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company were suspended this week, except four, and, of course, individual operators must also suspend proportionately. There is but little prospect of the coal trade reviving to any favorable extent until the retail trade commences pretty briskly for household purposes, in September. Business is improving slightly, but not to the extent that many anticipated. The little spurt in the iron trade has calmed down again, and the prices are now at the present quotations, the demand coming much more sluggish than was anticipated. Everybody seems to be very cautious in business matters, and until the farmers have secured their crops and commenced pouring their products into the market business matters will continue inactive. There is every indication of abundant crops this year, above the general average, which, together with a more healthy state of our foreign commerce, must tend greatly to revive business again in all departments. The action of the Associated Companies is gradually using up all the middle interests engaged in the coal trade, and it will soon be confined to the Associated Companies and those individuals engaged directly in mining. Those unconnected with collieries, it seems, are bound to go under or go out of the trade. One of this class, a Mr. Nicholson, of New-York, has failed with large liabilities in proportion to capital invested. He has settled with some of his creditors at fifty cents on the dollar. It is very certain that there will be no increase in the supply of coal this year, and it will in all probability fall short of last year's supply in the neighborhood of a half million of tons, and the decrease in anthracite may reach a million of tons.

WHY A FLAG WAS NOT SAVED.

An incident of the closing days of the war of the rebellion is thus told by the Columbus (Ga.) *Sun*: "Not long ago we read of an officer of the Third Georgia Regiment, at the reunion of Wright's Brigade at Union Point, presenting to the meeting the bullet and shell-riddled battle-flag of the regiment, which at the surrender of Lee he had torn from the staff and concealed under his shirt. A brave soldier of Columbus, who entered the Georgia Grays, of this place, when not fifteen years of age, and fought in the Western Army for four long years, with scarce a furlough, attempted the same thing at Johnston's surrender. We allude to Mr. Andrew J. Boland, as true and gallant a soldier as ever braved the terrors of battle. When Gen. Johnston took command of Hood's Army, after the disastrous retreat from Tennessee, he commenced its reorganization, and our friend Andrew found himself Color Sergeant of the Second Georgia Battalion of Sharp-shooters, commanded by Lieut. Col. Whitely, the Radical Congressman, who has swallowed the Civil Rights bill and openly advocates it. In passing through Augusta the ladies presented this battalion a beautiful flag, and at the surrender Sergt. Boland determined to save it. It is left to his glory to give up five battle flags. He surrendered only four, keeping this flag to the last. Happening to have a ragged valise he put the flag in it together with a new suit of gray, and deposited them in the Colonel's wagon which an orderly was guarding. Result was, when that night at Sailsbury, N. C., he went to don his new suit, he found the flag, clothes and all gone—stolen by a gray back.

COURT CALENDAR—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Donohue, J.

Nos.	Nos.
2—Smith vs. Beardsley, &c.	105—Oppenheimer vs. Walker, &c.
5—First National Bank of Jamesburg vs. Carle.	111—In the matter of Schuyler.
11—Cassidy vs. Dowdall, &c.	116—Moody vs. Clark.
34—Elastic Truss Co. vs. Pomeroy, &c.	131—Owen vs. Owens.
35—Hotchkiss vs. Burbank, &c.	147—Grist vs. Philipps, &c.
42—Dayton vs. Roche.	153—Rosenthal vs. Toepfer.
47—Bank vs. Black.	154—De Demaos vs. De Demaos.
53—Flaherty vs. Flaherty.	159—Mott vs. Mott, &c.
56—In the matter of Agnew.	162—Matchett vs. North-ern Pacific Railroad Co.
77—Lyon vs. Board of Police.	164—Develin vs. Asten, &c.
84—Bogatzki vs. Bogatzki	165—Rodenstein vs. Asten, &c.
86—Dor vs. Mar.	166—Keegan vs. Keegan.
98—In the matter of Beuren.	167—Parish vs. Sherman, &c.
104—Kennedy vs. Barandon, &c.	168—Ely vs. Leypoldt.
	169—Sanxay vs. Bolles.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Aug. 22—12:30 P. M.—Erie Railway shares, 30¼. Paris dispatches quote Rentes at 63f. 50c.

5 P. M.—United States 5-20 Bonds, 1867s, 109½; Erie Railway shares, 30¼@30⅜. Paris dispatches quote Rentes at 63f. 60c.

6 P. M.—The rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills is 3 1-16 ₱ cent., which is 7-16 ₱ cent. below the Bank of England rate. The amount of bullion come into the Bank of England on balance today is £15,000. Paris dispatches quote Rentes at 63f. 50c.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 22—12:30 P. M.—Cotton—The market is dull and easier; Middling Uplands, 8⅛d.@8¼d.; Middling Orleans, 8⅝d.; sales, 10,000 bales, including 2,000 for speculation and export; sales on the basis of Middling Uplands, nothing below Good Ordinary, deliverable August, at 8⅛d.; do., do., deliverable September, at 8⅛d.

5 P. M.—Cotton—Of the sales to-day 5,400 bales were American. Sales on the basis of Middling Orleans, nothing below Good Ordinary, deliverable August, at 8¼d. Sales of shipments of the new crop on the basis of Middling Uplands, nothing below Good Ordinary, at 8¾d. Breadstuffs—The market is quiet. Provisions—Lard, 61s. 9d. ₱ cwt. Produce—Tallow, 39s. 3d. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Aug. 22—3 P. M.—Produce—Tallow, 41s. 6d. @41s. 9d. ₱ cwt.

Evening—Calcutta Linseed, 52s. Spirits of Turpentine, 24s. 9d.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—AUG. 22.

SALES FROM 2 TO 3 P. M.

$20,000 B. H. & E. 1..	25	100 North-west...b3.	39½
1,000 M. & St. P.8s..104		100 do....	39½
10,000 U. P. 1st M...	84½	200 do....	39⅝
100 At. & Pac. Tel..	15	100 do....	39⅝
700 Pacific Mail...	47½	100 do.....b3.	39⅝
100 do.....b3.	47½	100 do....	39⅝
800 West. Union..b3.	77⅜	200 do....	39¾
100 do....	77⅛	500 do.....b3.	39¾
200 do....	77⅜	100 St. Paul....	86
300 do.....s3.	77¼	200 do.....b3.	86⅛
900 do....	77⅛	100 do....	86⅜
300 Erie Railway...s3.	32½	100 do.....c.	86¼
100 do.....b3.	32⅝	100 do.....s3.	86¼
200 do....	32⅞	200 do....	86¼
200 do.....b3.	33	200 do.....b3.	86⅜
100 do....	32⅞	700 do....	86⅜
500 do.....b3.	32⅞	200 do....	86¼
1100 Lake Shore...	74⅜	100 do.....b3.	86⅛
100 do.....s10.	74¼	200 do....	25
100 do.....s3.	74⅜	100 Tol. & Wabash....	37
500 do.....b3.	74⅜	100 do....	37⅛
400 do.....s3.	74⅜	100 do....	37⅜
400 do.....b3.	74⅜	400 do.....b3.	37⅜
300 do.....b4.	74⅜	200 do.....s3.	37
200 do.....s3.	74⅜	100 do....	37⅜
100 do....	74⅜	100 do.....b3.	37⅜
200 C., C. & I. C..b3.	13	400 do....	37⅜
100 Han. & St. Jo....	25½	400 do....	37⅜
100 do....	26	100 do....	37¾

MONDAY, Aug. 24—A. M.

The week just closed appears to have brought with it into monetary and commercial circles the first evidences of the revival of trade for the Autumn season of 1874, and in this light, notwithstanding the awakening is tardy and by no means a vigorous one as yet, the business community welcomes its advent for what benefit may yet result from it. The week was an important one for the promises it brings of the future more than for its own slight realizations, and with the conditions now existing in financial and producing centres there is ample time for a favorable ending of the concerns of the calendar year. Money is in excessive abundance and the crop prospects have seldom been more encouraging, while a fair foreign market is open for the purchase and consumption of our products. With excellent harvests, plenty of money to move them with, and a good average demand from abroad for our staples, it will indeed be strange if a prosperous season do not result. In addition to these prospects there is everywhere apparent a most earnest desire on the part of commercial and manufacturing classes to be again "up and doing," after the long season of stagnation which is to all appearances now closed; and at the same time the severe lessons of the past, proceeding from artificial speculative enterprises, will be earnestly heeded in the reopening activity which will ere long be upon us. The shipments of money to the grain-growing States has been already inaugurated, and the crop movement will begin in the course of the next two or three weeks, and probably become general within that period. The openings of Fall goods will be very large during the present week, and we learn that buyers from the interior have already arrived in large numbers, and are beginning to make selections for fair average stocks. The fact is already evident that there will be no overloading indulged in, and the rate for money being so very low just at present, a considerable proportion of cash business for actual supply and immediate demand, with quick returns of profits, will mark the business of the Fall. The feature of interest in the Wall street markets for the week was the upward movement and increased activity in speculative securities, which has been of the most general character, and extended to the whole list of Railway and Miscellaneous Shares and Bonds, and, toward the close, was exerted in the Gold Room also. The monetary situation here is without essential change from last week, and loans on call have been made at the rate of 2@2½@3 ₱ cent. per annum. Foreign Exchange has been dull throughout at low rates, and at intervals exhibited weakness. The heavy Gold exports which were apparent for the earlier weeks in this month have subsided under the influence of the dullness in Exchanges and the decline in the Bank of England rate of discount, which has been put down from 4 ₱ cent. to 3½ ₱ cent. During the early part of the week the Gold Market was quiet and uninteresting, and the range of fluctuation very narrow, the lowest quotation being 109½, and the highest 109¾, with the bulk of the sales at 109½@109¾. On Thursday a stronger feeling set in, and the price ranged from 109⅝@109¾, touching 110 on Friday. The closing price for the week was at the highest point—110—with a firm tone in the market. Government Bonds showed increased activity, and prices were highest and strong in the final transactions. The registered issues were in good demand, and some large lots were purchased, both on domestic and foreign account. A consignment of $20,000,000 of the new bonds of the Five ₱ cent. Funded Loan was shipped to Europe on Saturday, for delivery to the Rothschild-Seligman syndicate, and the result of their efforts to market these securities will be looked for with lively interest. The market for Railway Mortgages was strong early in the week, and later became quite active, at an advance of ½@2¼ ₱ cent in prices, the chief interest being centred in the various Pacific issues. The leading improvement was in Union Pacific Incomes, Firsts, and Sinking Funds, the latter advancing 2¼ ₱ cent. on actual sales, in consequence of the demand made for these new bonds in exchange for Incomes. State Bonds were quiet and at times dull, though prices were well maintained and occasionally showed a fractional improvement. In Railway and Miscellaneous stocks the advance was strongly marked, with Western Union, Rock Island, Union Pacific, Lake Shore, Pacific Mail, New-York Central, and Wabash as the features. As compared with Monday's opening prices, Western Union showed at the close on Saturday a gain of 1¼ ₱ cent.; Rock Island, 1½; St. Paul, common, 1½; preferred, 1⅜; Lake Shore, 1½; Wabash, 1⅛, and North-western, ¾. The fact that North-western, Rock Island, Wabash, and other shares so intimately involved in the result of the Wisconsin Railway litigation showed this great strength was largely commented on. The decision on the application for injunction will doubtless be rendered ere many days, and the stocks seem to gather strength from its approach, whereas a few weeks since they tumbled and fell when any mention of the State courts was made.

The Weekly Statement of Averages of the Associated City Banks, giving the resulting balances up to Saturday last, shows a further reduction of the amount of reserve, which is not easily accounted for on ordinary comparisons and principles. The only item of increase is in the circulation, $10,900, and the most important diminutions are, in Deposits, $3,051,400, and in Specie, $2,797,100. The Specie decrease for the week ending Aug. 15 was $3,338,000 as compared with the preceding week, making the total loss for the two weeks past $6,135,100. For the past week the Specie exports were but $693,000, and for the week previous $3,500,000, making $4,193,000, and leaving about $2,000,000 of Gold to be accounted for. The Customs receipts last week were $3,021,000, and for the week ending Aug. 15, $223,576, or a total of about $3,400,000. The Government sale of $1,500,000 Gold on Thursday, for which payments were made in Greenbacks, does not account for the slight reduction of $686,700 in Legal Tender; but, deducting the $2,000,000 Gold above the Specie shipments from the $3,400,000 Customs receipts, we have a balance of Customs Gold receipts of $1,400,000, which is made up by the $1,500,000 sold by the Treasury, and appears fairly to account for the Specie decrease. The Banks held $85,446,300 of actual reserve, or $26,730,275 above the legal requirement of 25 ₱ cent. of Deposits, the loss of reserve for the week amounting to $2,720,950. The following is a comparative statement of Averages for the past three weeks:

	Aug. 8.	Aug. 15.	Aug. 22.
Loans	$280,534,300	$279,350,900	$278,576,000
Specie	25,740,000	22,359,000	19,554,900
Circulation	25,805,780	25,809,100	25,820,000
Deposits	249,261,600	237,915,500	238,864,100
Legal Tender	66,549,500	66,578,100	65,891,400

The following shows the relation between the total reserve and the total liabilities:

	Aug. 15.	Aug 22.	Differences.
Specie	$22,359,000	$19,554,900	Dec. $2,797,100
Legal Tenders	66,578,100	65,891,400	Dec. 686,700
Total Reserve	$88,930,100	$85,446,300	Dec. $3,483,800
Reserve required ag't deposits	59,478,875	59,716,025	
Excess of reserve above legal requirements	29,451,225	26,730,275	Dec. 2,720,950

The following table shows the course of Stocks, Gold, and Bonds during the week, based on the daily closing quotations:

COURSE OF THE MARKETS—THE WEEK.

	Aug. 28, '73.
U. S. N. 5s, comp., '81	111⅞@112@112¼@112⅜
U. S. 5-20s, comp., '62	111¾@112@112⅛@112
U.S. 5-20s, comp., '67	1.17⅝@117⅞@117⅞@118
American Gold	109⅝@109¾@109⅞@110
Bills on London, 60 days	$4 86½@$4 87
N. Y. C. & Hud.	102⅜@102⅝@102⅞@102¾@102½@102⅝
Chi. & Rock Island	100⅜@100½@101⅜@102@101⅝@102½
Pac. Mail	46⅞@47⅛@47¼@47⅜@46⅝@47¼
St. P. com'n	35⅛@35@35⅛@35⅝@35⅜@36¼
St. Paul pref	53@53⅛@53⅜@53½@54⅜
West. Un	75⅛@75⅝@76⅛@77@76⅝@77¼
Union Pac.	29¼@29⅜@29½@29⅜@29⅛@29¾
Lake Shore	72⅜@72⅞@73¼@74⅛@73⅝@74¼
Tol. & W	36⅞@36@36⅛@36⅝@36⅛@37¼
N. W. common	38½@38⅝@38⅞@38⅝@39¼
N. W. pref	55½@55⅜@56⅞@57¼@57
Del. & Lack	107½@107⅜@108@108¼
N. J. Central	106@106⅛@106¼@106@106¼
Panama	112@111⅞@111¾@113
Erie	32⅝@32¼@32⅝@32¼@32⅝@33@32⅞
Chic & Miss	27⅝@24¾@24⅝@24⅞@24⅞@25
C., C. & I. C	13⅜@13⅝@13½@13¼@13
Harlem	124@124¼@124½@125¼@125½

The Import Entries at this port of Dry Goods and General Merchandise, (exclusive of foreign specie,) for the fiscal year ended June 30 amounted to $380,890,275, of which $160,065,310 were embraced in the six months ending Dec. 31, 1873. The following are the import values of the same class during the current calendar year:

January	$30,911,663	July	$32,257,774
February	34,616,354	Aug.	7,209,727
March	42,448,552	Aug. 8	7,069,676
April	40,569,095	Aug. 15	5,252,836
May	40,532,709	Aug. 22	6,871,325
June	32,446,680		
Total to date			$275,424,653
For corresponding period of 1873			267,592,188
For corresponding period of 1872			289,071,370

The Produce Exports for the week amounted to $5,496,733, exclusive of specie, adding which, however, would make the total export valuation for the week $6,189,962. For the corresponding week of 1873 the exports of Domestic Produce amounted to $5,258,190, and of 1872 $3,906,951. The total Produce Exports since Jan. 1 aggregate in value $186,611,106, against $179,527,124 for the corresponding period of last year, and $138,574,489 in 1872.

The exports of Gold and Silver from New-York for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1874, amounted to $50,198,126, against $59,627,723 in 1873. For the current calendar year, the Specie Exports have been as follows:

January	$2,600,508	July	$2,798,050
February	2,980,863	Aug. 1	1,348,245
March	2,527,822	Aug. 8	3,521,442
April	2,467,005	Aug. 15	2,032,733
May	12,775,800	Aug. 22	693,239
June	8,364,775		
Total since Jan. 1			$40,619,451
For corresponding period 1873			38,304,986
For corresponding period 1872			56,173,688

The Customs receipts in Gold deposited in the New-York office of the United States Treasury Department and the Gold Interest paid out by this office, amounted to $63,220,506 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1874, against $71,932,471 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1873. For the current calendar year the receipts and payments have been as follows:

	Customs.		Gold Interest.
January	$10,105,211	January	$9,752,251
February	10,386,566	February	3,661,655
March	11,029,633	March	4,077,472
April	9,819,441	April	2,373,644
May	8,679,313	May	8,669,601
June	7,606,000	June	2,104,000
July	8,492,000	July	12,000,000
Aug. 1	2,581,846	Aug. 1	1,253,600
Aug. 8	2,457,000	Aug. 8	2,674,400
Aug. 15	2,748,199	Aug. 15	496,500
Aug. 22	3,021 000	Aug. 22	319,000
Since Jan. 1	$76,957,452	Since Jan. 1	$51,203,726
Same period '73	84,397,044	Same period '73	51,354,163
Same period '72	99,972,377	Same period '72	56,574,029

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COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Aug. 22, 1874.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been as follow:

Ashes, pkls	7	Resin, bbls	3,622
Copper, bbls	152	Spirits Turp., bbls	519
Cotton, bales	288	Leather, sides	9,060
Flour, bbls	17,332	Stearine, pks	42
Wheat, bushels	73,523	Oil-cake, pks	510
Corn, bushels	104,750	Cut-meats, pkls	317
Oats, bushels	68,025	Lard, tcs	23
Grass-seed, bags	771	Butter, pkls	1,800
Eggs, bbls	704	Cheese, pkls	6,800
Beans, bbls	102	Rice, tcs	2
Flaxseed, bags	160	Pea-nuts, bags	850
Hemp, bales	25	Starch, pks	1,420
Hops, bales	31	Tobacco, hhds	726
Hides, No	2,041	Tobacco, pkls	623
Hides, bdls	9	Wool, bales	63
Lead, pigs	962	Whisky, bbls	205

ASHES—Have been very dull and more or less nominal as to price. Pots quoted at $6 50@$6 75 ₱ 100 lbs. Pearls unsettled.

BEES-WAX—Yellow has been in request at from 31c. @32½c. ₱ lb.

CANDLES—Business has been slow in all kinds, with Adamantine quoted at 13c.@18c.; Paraffine, 26c.@27c.; Sperm, plain, 28c.; Sperm, patent, 33c.@39c.; Stearic, 28c.@29c. ₱ lb.

COAL—Has been generally in limited demand, with Home Canal quoted steady at $18; do., do., Star Canmel, $11; Cumberland Soft at $6 50@$6 75, and Anthracite at $5@$6 25 ₱ ton. On next Wednesday, Aug. 26, 50,000 tons Scranton Coal will be offered at auction.

COCOA—A very moderate inquiry prevails for supplies, with prices quoted about as before. Maracaibo quoted at 20c.@21c.; Caracas at 14½c.@20c.; Guayaquil at 10½c.@11c., and San Domingo at 9½c.@7½c. gold.

COFFEE—In moderate request on the basis of yesterday's retail quotations; sales 4,050 bags Rio, by the Trafalgar, and 1,935 bags do., by the Ontario, on private terms.

COTTON—Has been inactive for early delivery, and prices have been quoted ½c. ₱ lb. lower; sales 351 bales to spinners, and 51 bales to speculators. For forward delivery business has been more active, but at a reduction of ⅛c.@3-16c. ₱ lb., closing weak. Sales have been reported since our last of 21,900 bales, (of which 6,300 bales were on last evening and 15,600 bales to-day,) and 1,800 bales at the calls, on the basis of Middling, with August options closing at 22 21-32c.@15 11-16c.; September, 15½c.; October, 15⅜c.@15 13-32c.; November, 15¼c.; December, 15 1-16c. January, 15 7-16c.@15⅜c. February, 15 9-16c.@15 11-32c.; March, 15 13-16c @15 27-32c.; April, 15 15-16c.@15 31-32c.; May, 16¹₃₂c.@16 3-16c. ₱ lb. The receipts at this port to-day were 298 bales, including 206 bales from Charleston, 25 bales from Wilmington, and 69 bales per railroad. The receipts at all the shipping ports to-day were 1,010 bales. The week's exports hence have been 5,371 bales. The exports from all the shipping ports thus far this season have been 2,789,911 bales, (including 1,830,833 bales to Great Britain and 959,078 bales to the Continent,) against 2,655,219 bales the same time in 1872-3.

Closing Prices of Cotton in New-York.

	Uplands.	Ala.	N. O.	Texas.
Ordinary	13⅜	13⅜	13⅜	13⅜
Good Ordinary	14⅞	15	15¼	15¼
Strict Good Ordinary	15⅜	15¼	15 11-16	15 11-16
Low Middling	15⅞	16	16¼	16¼
Middling	16¾	16⅞	17⅛	17⅛
Good Middling	18	18⅛	18⅜	18⅜

COOPERAGE STOCK—There has not been much call for stock in any line, since our last. White Oak Staves, bbl. hds. have been quoted within the range of $115@$210; do., pipe, $185@$260; do., bbl., $90@$135; Box Shooks, $50@$85; Pipe Shooks, $6 50@$7; Sugar Shooks, white heads, $2 15@$2 65; Molasses do., $2 20@$2 25; Hoop, $35@$40.

DRUGS AND DYES—Trade has been on a moderate scale, with values quoted irregular and weak.

DYE-WOODS—Have been offered with reserve, and have been in demand, with San Domingo Logwood quoted at $22, currency; Jamaica do., $20, gold; San Domingo Fustic, $22@$25, gold; Jamaica do, $20, gold.

HOGS—Have been moderately sought after within the range of 18c.@26c. for ordinary to extra choice, with the main call reported in stock available at from 19c.@22c. for fair to strictly prime.

FERTILIZERS—The business in this line has been generally dull, with values quoted about as before.

FLOUR AND MEAL—A very limited inquiry prevails for most kinds of State and Western Flour, at a further partial decline of 10c.@15c. ₱ bbl. Shipping Extras, in lines, in some request, but bids generally reduced to $5 25 for standard, which rate was under the views of sellers, who were asking $5 40@$5 50 ₱ bbl. Superfine stock less sought after, but offering sparingly at about late figures. The sales since our last foot up some 9,300 bbls. of all grades, including Sour Flour at $5@$6 50; poor to choice No. 2 at $3 50@$4 25, mainly at $3 60@$4; inferior to fancy Superfine State and Western at $4 60@$5 20, chiefly at $4 75@$5 05; inferior to very choice Extra State at $5 10@$5 50; choice to very fancy do. and City Mills Extras at $5 40@$5 85

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, MONDAY, AUG. 24, 1874.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

LYCEUM THEATRE.—La Tendale D'Argent—Mlle. Aimee, Mlle. Minelly, M. Dubouchet, and M. Debeer.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—Wig and Gown—Weavers—Messrs. Toole, Herbert, Westland, and Misses Johnstone and Mitchell.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—The Bride of Abydos—Mr. Wheelock, Miss Irving, Miss Brooks, and Miss Safford.

UNION SQUARE THEATRE.—Jane Eyre—Miss Thompson, Miss Morant, Mr. Robinson, and Mr. Morris.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—Belle Lamar—Mr. J. McCullough and Miss Randolph.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE—Variety Entertainment.—Mme. Violette Picault and others.

BOWERY THEATRE.—The Serious Family—Six Degrees of Crime.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—Dramatic Performance afternoon and evening. Curiosities.

ROBINSON HALL.—Variety Entertainment—Mlle. Delacour and others.

CENTRAL PARK GARDEN.—Summer Night's Concert—By Theo. Thomas' Orchestra.

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Persons leaving the City for the Summer can have The Times *mailed to their address at one dollar per month.*

It is quite evident that the moral, literary, and scientific newspapers have no intention of dropping so good a thing as the "Beecher scandal" just yet. It is clearly a success, and has even driven mad dogs, hydrophobia, and Mayor Havemeyer completely out of the market. We hope it will not last until the elections, for if it does, the average voter will be still talking about Beecher and Tilton instead of Dix and Tilden. Mr. Beecher has gone to the White Mountains, but if he thought to get beyond reach of the "interviewer" by that arrangement, he has already found out his mistake. The *World* went to the expense—though where it got the money from is a puzzle—of sending a reporter after the reverend gentleman. Mr. Beecher had just arrived. The reporter handed him a New-York paper containing Moulton's little narrative in twenty columns.

"He took it," says the interviewer, "glanced carelessly for a moment on the lithographed facsimiles which were outside, and then laid it aside. He looked up again. His expression did not change. There was the same self-sustained look which he has worn all through the Summer, but a little shade of weariness swept over his face. He had come a long ways to get rid of this business—perhaps that was all it meant."

Perhaps it was. At any rate, we can all readily believe that a "little shade of weariness swept over" Mr. Beecher's face when, after a long railroad journey, he found a New-York interviewer poking a new "statement" in his face. We should say that if Mr. Beecher had used his right boot freely on this occasion he would have been "sustained" once more by public opinion.

The committee which is to report on this affair is expected to make an end of its work on or before Friday next. Its report will not be awaited with intense anxiety, for its decision has never been for a moment doubtful. When an accused person has the advantage of picking out the persons who are to try him, he may go to sleep with the calm consciousness that his innocence is proved. Moreover, this particular committee seems to have made so little of a secret of its opinions, that at the last meeting of Plymouth Church several gentlemen declared they all knew what the verdict would be. The committee, at least, cannot be blamed for not getting at all the facts bearing on Tilton's career. They had before them an adopted daughter of Tilton's, and among the questions put to her by Mr., or Gen., Tracy, we find the following: "Will you tell us whether Mr. and Mrs. Tilton lived happily or otherwise when you first went with them? How long had you been with them when you first noticed infelicities in their life? What was his conduct with Mrs. Stanton? When strangers were there how was his conduct? Is there anything further that you remember about their domestic affairs?" This style of examination, by way of proving Mr. Beecher's innocence, forms not the least remarkable feature of this remarkable and disagreeable case.

We are informed by a Conservative paper printed in New-Orleans that "moral coercion" is the means employed in winning the negroes in the country parishes of Louisiana "to the bona-fide white resident taxpayers" for succor and relief from the unprincipled carpet-baggers. The New-Orleans *Republican*, however, tells us that the white leaguers are represented as "having armed patrols going the rounds in De Soto Parish every night for the purpose of catching and murdering 'political niggers' caught away from home." A letter dated Aug. 7 from that parish states that three colored men had been killed that week by white leaguers because they were suspected of being interested in politics. It adds:

"Two of them were going home from church, and the third was riding in a wagon in company with other men, when he was taken out and shot, his companions being told not to tell who were the murderers, and threatened with speedy and certain death if they did."

The leaguers had evidently discovered that "moral coercion" was of no avail with those three unfortunate "political niggers."

By a collision on the Kensington branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad, Aug. 15, three persons were killed and several wounded. A Coroner's jury investigated the case; the verdict fixes the first responsibility on the switch-tender, who left the switch open, and the second on the conductor of the coal train, which had just passed over the road, because he did not see that the switches were right before he called in his flagman. Furthermore, the jurymen express their disapprobation of the general management of the company, as proper notice of the approach of an extra train was not given. This is one of those verdicts, the diffusiveness of which defeats the ends of justice. We do not know that it could be more pointed. Possibly a verdict that should narrow down the responsibility would be absolutely unjust. But in this case a switch-tender is held primarily responsible, the conductor is said to be negligent, and the railroad corporation is blamed for not "using proper precaution." On this verdict, we would like to see who is to be punished for killing three people and maiming several others.

The Peruvian Republic seems to have entered upon the path of progress. Under the administration of President Pardo many reforms have been accomplished, and the measures for decentralization and the promotion of immigration, upon which the Government is now actively engaged, are received with much delight by the people. The republic celebrated the anniversary of its independence by a series of fêtes, lasting from July 28 to Aug. 2, and a fine monument commemorating the victory over the Spaniards in 1866 has been unveiled in the Capitol at Lima.

THE TWO PARTIES.

For some little time before an election the Democrats keep up a very loud boasting concerning the triumph which they are about to win—an amusement which no one can reasonably begrudge them, seeing how little cause they generally have for shouting *after* an election. It must be rather more difficult than usual this year to keep up an active interest in this pastime. The Democratic newspapers, of course, declare that the success of the party is assured, but it would be difficult for outside observers to make out on what grounds they base this belief. With no inclination to underrate the strength of the Democrats, we are unable to detect any evidence of their progress. They have no wisdom, and they have no luck. Sometimes accident will help an unfortunate party, fortune being a very capricious power in politics as well as in the ordinary business of life. All the shrewdness and prudence in the world will not secure a man or a party against disaster. But the chapter of accidents never seems to be favorable to the Democrats. Luck is against them. If the Republicans in Congress make a mistake, the Democrats hasten to involve themselves in it. All that the people can say at the very worst is that there are six of one and half a dozen of the other, as in the back-pay affair, for example. When their adversaries do make a blunder, the Democrats never have wit enough to profit by it. They only rush into a tenfold deeper pit of their own digging.

Upon what, then, are the Democrats founding their hopes of success this year, especially in New-York State? They have not the prestige of good government in former years to help them. The last time they were in power they deliberately and willfully set up what has been aptly called the "rule of the thief," nor did any member of the party ever protest against that rule until its guilt was exposed in these columns. That guilt was well known to many leaders of the party, and to the outside public; but no one was willing to incur the hatred and enmity of the Tammany Ring by attacking it. This is one of the latest reminiscences which remain of Democratic rule in the State, and it is not of a character to promote the present success of the party. The Republicans have at least endeavored to give the State an honest Government. The canals have been managed without corruption or jobbery; the interests of the people have been carefully guarded; all the chief posts are occupied by men of great administrative capacity and perfect integrity. In the City of New-York the work of reform has, indeed, made no progress whatever since the Fall of 1872, through a deplorable blunder in the choice of Mayor. But for that blunder the Republicans ought not to be blamed. It was one effect of the attempt to get a "non-partisan" Government. An old Democrat was selected because he was likely to prove acceptable to both parties. He turned out to be a thoroughly unprincipled man, and it cannot be denied that the attempt to secure a root and branch reform in the City of New-York has been grievously retarded, even if it has not received a fatal blow.

This single mistake, with its far-reaching consequences, cannot injure the Republican Party in public estimation, and still less can it assist the Democrats. The latter party may, and probably will, put up a good candidate for Mayor this year, but so will the Republicans. Taught by sad experience, the Republicans will not go to the enemy's camp again for a candidate, and we hope that they will not enter into those "entangling alliances" with Democrats which, in former years, have often done much harm, and never any good. Let us fight out the contest under our own flag and with our own forces, leaving the work of making strange and unnatural combinations to our enemies. We shall be able to find quite as good a candidate from our own party as the Democrats can produce from theirs. As for members of Assembly, we hope to secure a majority of honest men, although doubtless the attempt to do that will be surrounded with many difficulties. The railway interests are very powerful, and can too easily procure the return of members who are pledged to obey the commands of those corporations. Still, we are better situated in this respect than the Democrats, for we can try to elect honest men, while the Democrats will try simply for a majority, without being very particular as to its elements. For Governor it is already certain that we can find a stronger candidate than the Democrats. The Republican Convention may find it a delicate work to reconcile the conflicting claims which are sure to arise, and we much fear that the harmony of the party will not be greatly increased by the plans upon which some of our leaders are intent, and which will be better known to the public when they have hired a pulpit of their own from which they may speak. It will probably then be discovered that plans, dating back to the nomination of Caleb Cushing as Chief Justice, are to be first seriously pressed in the Fall of the present year. But we are convinced that the convention will remember the responsibility which rests upon it, and do its duty with an honest regard to the welfare of the general community in the State. It will not fall under the control of any man or men consumed with personal ambition, for if it did it would inevitably ruin the cause which it will doubtless be solicitous to serve.

THE BLACK HILLS EXPEDITION.

Public attention is attracted to the region known as the country of the Black Hills, now being explored by a United States expedition commanded by Gen. Custer. Heretofore the greater part of that country has been an unknown land; it is off from the great emigrant routes across the continent, in a region difficult of access, and embraced in the limits of a reservation set apart for the Sioux, a warlike and jealous tribe of Indians. The system of mountains known as the Black Hills proper is not large, being about one hundred and fifty miles square. It is situated on the boundary line between Wyoming and Dakota Territories, lying in the north-eastern corner of the former, and the south-western corner of the latter. The chain forms an irregular circle, inclosing an area of level country. The Cheyenne branch of the Upper Missouri here makes a sharp turn westward, and forks abruptly nearly north and south. These two forks almost surround the circular range, and innumerable small streams, fed by mountain rivulets and torrents, empty into these forks. The Cheyenne soon empties, in its turn, into the Upper Missouri, which here has a general direction southward. But the country originally known as that of the Black Hills was roughly described as stretching from the North Platte to the Mandan country, far up into the Yellowstone region. The old California emigrant road, which followed the North Platte, entered the Black Hills, as they were then called, immediately on leaving Fort Laramie, on the borders of Nebraska. That portion of the hills, however, is only a spur of the main chain, which is far to the northward. The country, as far as heretofore explored, is not inviting. Crossing westward over the ridge traveled by the emigrants, there was nothing to entice settlers except a fair pasturage and good water. The hills were covered with scrubby, dark firs and pines, whose sombre hue gave a name to the mountain system, but which disappeared as the traveler descended into the Sweetwater country on the other side, where abundant settlements have been made in these later days.

Heretofore exploring parties have contented themselves with an exterior view of the circular chain now known distinctively as the Black Hills. The forbidding aspect of the region, the abruptness of the outer walls, and the moat-like line which the forks of the Cheyenne have formed about the hills, have deterred any more intimate acquaintance. Gen. Custer's expedition made a half circuit to the westward, and entered the charmed circle between the head waters of the two forks, and where the mountain chain is sufficiently broken down to permit a tolerably easy approach. Once inside, the explorers found fertile valleys, rich pasturage, and new and abundant flora. It was virgin soil, hitherto unknown to the foot of the white man. In the gulches and cañons that break into the central valleys from the surrounding ridges, gold has been found in "paying quantities," it is said, and iron and plumbago are also reported to be among the mineral treasures of this new El Dorado. Gen. Custer reports that the grass is luxuriant and abundant, the water good, and the climate mild, though the days are thought to be too short and cool for corn. It is pretty evident, therefore, that the chief attraction for emigrants will be in the reported riches of gold concealed in the bosom of the earth. There are millions of acres of arable and pasture land more accessible than the heart of the Black Hills can be in this century; and the florid descriptions of the virgin beauty of the region will not greatly excite the imaginations of men who have seen the same exhibition in Kansas within twenty years, or who are now seeing it in the parks of Colorado, where there is no possible obstacle to the progress of the settler and the herder. We must, moreover, caution susceptible people against giving much credit to the reported discoveries of gold. It is evident that the explorers have found the precious ore; it would be strange if they had not; it has been found, we believe, in nearly every State in the Union, from Maine to Alaska. What "paying quantities" may be, we can only surmise. Gold by the panful might be dear in a country where an armed and powerful expedition would be needed to protect the honest miner. It would be cheap at eight cents the panful of "pay dirt" if found in Onondaga County. It is evident that the explorers, fascinated by the pristine beauties of this new fairy land, feel great enthusiasm over their discoveries. Like De Soto and his followers in Florida, they find themselves in a Land of Flowers where the streams run over golden sands—in imagination. The rosy dream is natural. It is always so with ardent discoverers. Their observations are recorded in August, when the bright, pure mountain country is seen at its best. But it lies far north of the latitude of Boston, in an altitude of at least 7,000 feet above the level of the sea. In the lesser Black Hills, considerably to the south, the Winters are often severe, the snows being sometimes tremendous in depth. Gen. Custer's floral valleys and blue grass must have only a brief Summer.

Precisely what this expedition is designed to accomplish, we do not know. Its addition to the general geographical knowledge of the country will not be large. The whole region, as we have said, is small in area. Moreover, it is not open to settlement; it is the property of the Sioux, so far as solemn treaties of the United States can make it so. The spreading of these feverish reports about the universal wealth of the country is sure to arouse that wild and reckless class of men who rush wherever there is a rumor of gold, and who would "prospect" for gold on the brink of a volcano or in a valley of tigers, if they thought they could "get the color." Whatever the special occasion for the expedition, it will be a real misfortune if its immediate result shall be the temptation thither of a rush of men who will suffer privation, danger, and disappointment themselves, and who may beside bring upon us another dispute with the warlike Sioux.

A ONE-SIDED WAR.

In a recent article we pointed out the fact that the Republicans of Alabama are in no wise desirous of raising the foolish and criminal "race issue." The negroes and whites who vote the Republican ticket in that State have repeatedly said that they neither desire nor court "social equality," that they are not anxious for "mixed schools," and that they simply wish a free government which shall secure exact and equal justice to all. These fair and liberal sentiments are fully reaffirmed in the platform of the Alabama Republican Convention, adopted at Montgomery on Saturday. The resolutions in that platform show unmistakably that if the issue of "race against race" is at any time hereafter allowed to interfere with the peace of the Commonwealth, the Democratic Party, and that party alone, will be directly responsible therefor. And after this frank and earnest disavowal by the Montgomery convention of any hostility founded on race toward the Democrats of the State, it will require more than the vehement assertions of all the local Conservative newspapers to persuade the people of the North and West to the contrary.

The Democrats of Alabama are thus placed in a singularly unpleasant position. They have done their best to provoke a conflict with the negroes, on the pretext that the latter are about to impose upon them an intolerable and degrading tyranny. But both the negroes and the "carpet-baggers," as Northern settlers who venture to vote the Republican ticket are invariably called, refuse to assume a quarrelsome attitude, and commit themselves before the whole country, to measures for the maintenance of order and peace. There is every reason to believe that they are perfectly sincere. The Democrats have declared that they are called "to decide at the ballot-box whether they will or will not be coerced to the absolute social as well as political equality of the negroes with themselves." They have boldly asserted that they must, at all hazards, carry the coming election, because their sacred family rights, the purity of their race, and the whole social fabric, are in danger of African innovation. But the dreaded and hated African frankly disclaims any intention of intruding upon the social relations of the whites. He is gradually making up his mind that he has a right to ride in the same public conveyance with a white man, and that when it is necessary to his convenience he will do it; but he has never insisted upon it for the purpose of claiming "social equality." The negroes in most of the Southern States have been much more unobtrusive than they could have been expected to be, and it is untrue that in Alabama they are doing anything to justify the banding together of the whites against them. One can readily see that it is the Conservatives who have assumed the offensive; that the terrible subversion of society against which they propose to rebel has no foundation save in their fancies, and that their "white man's government" is in no sense necessary to the safety of the State or the personal security of its inhabitants. It is evident that there can be no war of races in Alabama which the Conservatives do not themselves bring on, and which will not be the result of injustice on their part.

Since the Democrats of Alabama are not really justified, by the presence of any danger which threatens their society, in forming an exclusive white man's party, why should they persist in its formation? They were not afraid of African innovation in 1868, when they begged the negroes to vote with them for Seymour and Blair. They then spoke of their "colored friends," sat beside them on platforms at political meetings, and praised their addresses as "manly," "eloquent," and "forcible." Democratic papers appealed to white men to protect their "colored friends," to support their families while they labored in the elections, and to give them a hearty fellowship. Caucasian supremacy was not so much of an object as Democratic victory then. The negroes were not insulted as "a barbarous race;" they were held up to public esteem as newly-made citizens, whose instincts were mainly good, and who only erred through ignorance and lack of experience. They were then fêted and flattered. To-day they are threatened and execrated. They were then good enough to share power with the Conservatives; now those Conservatives persistently endeavor to place them in a false position, to represent them as debauched, vicious, and actuated by vindictive desire to thrust the State into anarchy. This is nonsense. The Democrats have made a mistake. They have overreached themselves in their anxiety to gain power once more. They have not the shadow of a pretext for their course. By their inimical attitude toward the negro they may cause new political evils, while they cannot hope to correct those which already exist.

The disavowal by the negroes generally throughout the South of any desire to bring on conflict by insisting on those privileges which the Civil Rights bill might give them does not, however, hinder the efforts made by the Conservatives to precipitate a struggle. The telegraph is diligent in bringing daily reports of fighting between whites and blacks, but in no case does it appear that the negroes have been impelled to aggression by a desire for social equality or "mixed schools." Even the report of the serious riot in Lancaster, Ky, on Saturday., in which both whites and blacks were killed, is amply explained in the leading Republican paper of Louisville by the statement that the disturbance grew out of a quarrel between two white politicians, respectively Republican and Democratic. It is but fair that Kentucky should have her "startling rumor," since most of the other ex-slave States have each concocted one. And now we hope that, with the declaration of the Montgomery Republicans as a guide, all negroes and honest "carpet-baggers" who have not already done it will hasten to assure the country that they have no desire to cause a conflict of races, no wish to secure anything but their rights, and no intention of subverting that kind of "glorious Caucasian civilization" whose Conservative representatives in Alabama signalize their entrance to a campaign by assassinating a political opponent, and then endeavoring to fasten the crime upon a Republican negro.

OUR PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

At this season of the year the readers of The Times have laid before them a great number of advertisements of private schools of various kinds. Without undertaking in any manner to discriminate among these we take the liberty of calling attention to them. They are a striking testimony to the deep interest which is felt in all parts of our country in education. The extent to which our public school system has been carried, unparalleled as it is, does not check the steady growth of private schools. It is in the power of every American family to send its children to the free schools, where they can obtain often an excellent and always a fair average education. Every patron of private schools is taxed to sustain those which are public, and it is doubtful if a larger proportion of the school tax does not fall on those who do not get any direct benefit from it than on those who do. Yet, while this is true, and while the number in attendance in the free schools increases every year, not only absolutely but in proportion to the number of children of school age, the private schools continue to prosper. There is certainly a sound *raison d'être* for institutions which can hold their own against such active competitors sustained from the public purse, and largely from the pockets of those on whom these institutions depend.

The cause of the prosperity of private schools will be found in the fact that they supply a kind and degree of education which the free schools can only partially furnish, if at all. Thus the education away from home which is often desirable, and sometimes absolutely necessary, can only be given at private schools. There are disadvantages about boarding-schools, but there are great advantages, also, when they are properly conducted. They sometimes prove nurseries of vicious habits and injurious associations. But they can be made the theatre of a thorough moral discipline as well as mental culture, the centre of admirable influences, and the starting-point in useful lives. It is as unfair to condemn all—of which, however, there is little danger—for the shortcomings of some as to praise all indiscriminately. No parent or guardian can release himself (or herself) from the duty of careful and painstaking choice. But when this duty is successfully performed the boarding-school can be made to do what public schools cannot do.

Again, private schools are the most available for those who desire special instruction for their children. The range of studies can be wider, the courses more varied, the attention to special needs more complete, and the choice of methods less limited. Public schools are seldom very good unless very large. Small communities neither can nor will support specially superior instruction, and though much improvement has been effected by the plan of "union schools," in which several "districts" combine, a wide field is still left for the private schools, which they alone can occupy.

And it must be admitted that some of the best contributions to the art of education in our country have been made by private instructors. As a rule these work with greater freedom. They are not so rigidly confined to a general system as the public school teachers. They are at liberty to develop any suggestions made by their experience. They are specially interested, or are likely to be, in the progress of individual pupils, and while they can adhere to sound principles they can adapt their application to the cases they have in hand. It is simply impossible to exaggerate the influence of a zealous, skillful, upright teacher, on the mind of a pupil to whom he, or she, may be honestly devoted, and when such teachers are found in private schools, their opportunities for good are obviously greater than in the public schools.

Of course, all private schools do not furnish this class of teachers. But some of them do, and it is the duty of parents to discover and choose them. That is a duty they cannot delegate to any one else, if they are themselves fit to be parents, and they will be glad of any information on the subject, if no more precise than that which our columns furnish them. The managers of a large number of our schools present their claims, many of which are extremely well-founded. The further information can readily be obtained by the parents themselves.

THE CAPITAL MOVER.

The capital mover is at work again. The enterprising Reavis, the embodiment of the energy and audacity of St. Louis, has called a convention, to meet at Louisville in October, and to be composed of delegates from all the States and Territories. At this convention the subject of removing the offices of the National Government, bag and baggage, from Washington to St. Louis, is to be discussed. Reavis never rests. Ever since the fruitless convention of national capital movers at Cincinnati in 1870, he has been at work. In his fitful dreams he sees the dome of a new Capitol rising on the Mississippi's banks, and hears the clang of thousands of hammers on a new White House. While he busily indites glowing paragraphs concerning the "City of the Future"—as he loves to call the Missourian metropolis, he pictures to himself a decayed and grass-grown Washington, from which politicians and lobbyists have fled. He admits no resistance as possible; he marches proudly and imperiously to victory. He refuses to be trammeled by the prejudices or old fogyism of Governors of States who may object to appoint delegates to Louisville. In case of such objection, he will have delegates appointed by popular conventions. He is ready for any and every emergency; has the expense of a new and suitable Capitol building already estimated; and doubtless knows some old residents who will give money enough to build a monument ten times as high as the unsightly structure on the banks of the Potomac. He has a thousand arguments at his tongue's end in favor of a speedy removal, and will hurl them all at once upon the unsuspecting delegates at Louisville. He avows that in his own mind there is no doubt that "speedy success will follow faithful and vigorous effort." In previous conventions it has, to his thinking, been conclusively shown that there are no valid arguments against the desertion of Washington. And he goes forward toward the consummation of his hopes, fancying that he has a great army at his back.

Mr. Reavis and his apostles argue that the capital of the American nation should be located in the chief city of the Mississippi Valley, because the "political power, the masses of population," and the greatest material development are tending in that direction. These do not seem to us especially good reasons for the desired removal. It is not necessary that the capital of a country should be centrally located. Neither need it be in a huge manufacturing centre, nor at a point where a score of railways come together. Its society should be the outgrowth of a nation's gradual culture and progress in refinement. Its public buildings might well represent the successive schools of architecture through which the national taste has passed. If, by any strange freak of fortune, the dream of the ambitious Reavis could be realized, and builders should set to work to erect new public edifices at St. Louis, and, when they were completed, the nation should pack the Administration and officeholders generally into them, that would be of no especial service to the country. Those buildings would merely represent the spirit and taste of the West, and they are not necessarily faithful representatives of the spirit and taste of the whole country. Even if the Administration should go to St. Louis, it could not draw after it the society which is gradually crystallizing in Washington, and which, however much captious critics may scoff at some of its present phases, will in time be fairly representative of the whole nation. The national capital should not move toward the location of the most intense material development of the country, but should draw the fruits of that development to itself. Besides, despite the scorn with which the would-be capital movers undoubtedly regard such a suggestion, is it not true that a capital city is valuable to a nation very much as a flag is, because of the many traditions which gather around it—because of the memories it awakens?

But the good Reavis does not believe in traditions. He does not desire to cleave to Washington because it has been our political centre for three-quarters of a century. He would root up the Capitol, and cast its dome into the Potomac; turn the Treasury into a hotel, and the Patent Office into a warehouse; force the hundreds of wealthy people who have built costly homes in Washington to desert them and fly forthwith to the "Mound City." The property-holders in the District of Columbia do not, however, tremble as they hear the trumpet call for the Louisville Convention. And the nation, which has before it so many troublous problems demanding immediate solution, will not care to spend much time in listening to Mr. Reavis as he evolves his theory of "centres." People and power may go West, but the capital will not follow them.

EDUCATION IN RUSSIA.

The correspondent of the *Eastern Budget* at St. Petersburg, writing on the 3d inst., says: "The reports of the educational results of the past year in Russia, which have just been issued, occupy much attention here. It is evident from these reports that Russia is at least half a century behind the other European nations in this respect, and the Government is being urged on all sides to increase the number of schools and make them more efficient. The middle schools, or gymnasia, occupy a much more important position in Russia than in other countries, as the universities are comparatively but little used by the more intelligent classes of the country. In the generality of cases a boy's education is completed in a gymnasium, and no further instruction is considered necessary to prepare him for the civil service or any other ordinary career; it is very seldom that young men, even of the wealthier classes, go to the universities to acquire proficiency in the higher branches of science. Now the educational reports show that in many of the gymnasia the system of instruction is very defective, barely a fifth or a sixth of the pupils having obtained certificates from the Government examiners, while in other gymnasia eighteen out of every twenty pupils have obtained certificates. This is probably owing in part to the rigid uniformity which, in this as in other departments, is extended to all the various races and nationalities which make up the Russian Empire. The question of forming a high school for women is also much discussed. The Government has decided that this institution shall not be a university for grown women, but a sort of 'finishing school' for girls. It will be divided into five sections, including one for natural philosophy and another for history and philology. Logic and psychology are to be compulsory subjects in all the sections, and the chief aim of the school is to train up girls for governesses."

GOV. MOSES A CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY DELEGATE.

A Sumter (S. C.,) correspondent of the Columbia *Union-Herald*, says: "A meeting was held in this town last night for the purpose of selecting twelve delegates to the county convention, which will be held on Saturday, the 29th inst. Chief Justice Moses could have been seen for the last week or ten days electioneering hard, with every one he could catch on the streets, for the nomination of his humble self as one of the delegates to the county convention. Our Chief Justice thinks it is 'due to Frank' to be sent as one of the delegates that he may 'defend himself against the many false charges!' To this end the poor old Justice, his mules, and servants are continually on the highways. But the Moses reign is at last at an end in this county—as I hope it is throughout the State. The people of this State must surely join the honest and intelligent citizens of our county in losing all respect for a Chief Justice who condescends to the level of a petty ward politician, laboring in the interest of one of the worst men in any party, though he be a 'chip of the old block.'"

DEMOCRATIC TESTIMONY.

The Toledo *Commercial* says that at a soldier's reunion, held at Washington C. H., Ohio, on the 20th inst., Gov. Allen made a speech, in the course of which he said: "The Democrats came into use last January after our political opponents had held control of the State of Ohio for nearly twenty years, but we couldn't find, after the most careful examination, a single case of official corruption. They had done some things that were wrong, nothing that was corrupt. They spent more money than a heavily taxed people well could bear, but they didn't steal any."

A VIRGINIA NOMINATION.

The Democrats (or Conservatives, as they prefer to call themselves) of the Fifth District of Virginia, have nominated Col. George Carrington Cabell for Congress. The Richmond *Enquirer*, thus refers to him: "Col. Cabell is a young man, being only about thirty-eight years of age, and was Lieutenant Colonel of the grand old Eighteenth Virginia regiment, originally commanded by Col. R. E. Withers, and subsequently by that noble Roman, Col. Henry A. Carrington, of Charlotte county. The brilliant record of the services of that regiment contains the record of Col. Cabell's services and devotion to old Virginia. He is a son of the late Gen. E. W. S. Cabell, of Pittsylvania, and brother of Col. Cabell, of the Thirty-eighth Virginia regiment, who fell in the battle of Drewry's Bluff gallantly leading his regiment in a charge, and himself received a desperate wound in the same battle. The writer of these lines was by his side when he fell, and ministered to him. Col. Cabell also has a brother, Gen. Cabell, formerly of the United States Army, and who served with distinction in the Confederate army in the South-west."

THE CARLISTS AND THE CIVIL WAR.

Correspondence of the London News.

SANTANDER, Aug. 8.

If any proof were wanting of the bad policy of the Spanish Government in attempting to interfere with the liberty of the press, the capture of La Guardia by the Carlists is a case in point. Not a word of news has yet been permitted to appear. The consequence is that the active partisans of Don Carlos at St. Jean de Luz and Bayonne have an excellent opportunity of giving their version of the affair several days before any account from the Government side can be forwarded.

The direct Spanish cable, although hitherto of the greatest service, is closed to all war news. None can be sent from here to England except what is permitted to be known by the official *Gaceta*, the mendacity of which is becoming notorious. Far better would it be if the line were open for transmission of war news from here abroad; let home news be suppressed if it be thought advisable; still, after all, "*magna est veritas*," and the Government should recollect "*et prevalebit*." Instead of the worst being circulated first from Carlist sources about everything for days beforehand, why not remedy it by permitting truthful versions of events to be dispatched from the fountain head? The facts (which I have only gathered through the courtesy of a colleague who happened to be near the spot) are as follows:

On the 4th inst. the Carlist General, Dorregaray, arrived before La Guardia, and through the treachery of a party inside the town the gates were opened to him, and he is now master of that important position. It is situated between three and four leagues from Logrono, on the road leading from it to Miranda del Ebro and Vittoria. It is true it is on the Carlist side of the Ebro, but it was recaptured from the Carlists by Marshal Concha, and it was his first exploit on taking command of his division. Dorregaray, after it fell into his hands, made a dash upon Miranda itself at the head of 8,000 men, and with five guns and 600 cavalry occupying all the villages and salient points in its vicinity, and approaching within rifle shot of the station. The retention of this station is of the most vital importance for the national army, connecting, as it does, Madrid with the seat of war—the other line by Saragossa being constantly in danger of being cut all along the Ebro, (parallel with which it runs for many a mile.) The only troops to oppose Dorregaray were the few battalions forming the nucleus of the much-talked-of Third Corps d'Armée, which happened to be at Miranda—5,000 undisciplined recruits—their commander, the brave Gen. Loma, not having even yet arrived. These would have fallen a prey to the Carlist General, and the junction itself would have been a heap of ruins but for the prompt arrival of Gen. Blanco with eight battalions, eleven guns, and 900 cavalry from Haro, on the appearance of whom the Carlists retired to La Puebla, (half way between Miranda and Vittoria,) and there entrenched themselves, another portion retiring to Penacerrada, on the road to La Guardia. The upshot of all this is that the division of Marshal Zavala finds itself on the defensive, with all the disadvantage which that state brings upon troops who have hardly recovered from recent defeat, and were in full expectation of being led to the attack. Orders have now been given for the march in order to endeavor to recapture La Guardia, and troops from Logrono are to join those of Gen. Blanco for that purpose, news as to which will arrive very slowly unless the above restrictive measures are withdrawn. The line of railway from Miranda to Logrono is most perilous to venture on, as, although the trains still run, they are constantly fired upon by the Carlists. The driver of one, an Englishman, was wounded a day or two ago, having been shot in the heel while on his engine. British subjects, it would seem, therefore require protection as much as Germans.

The tactics of Dorregaray imperil the safety of Vittoria, the capital of the Basque province of Alava. His occupation and fortification of La Puebla cuts off all communication between it and Miranda and the rest of the country. It is not very strongly fortified or largely garrisoned, so that its fall is not improbable, unless Marshal Zavala suddenly becomes as active in his strategy as poor Concha.

The German gun-boats are hourly expected. The Madrid papers had it that they were here already; but such is not the case, and I doubt whether they will appear at all. Most probably one will be stationed at San Sebastian and the other at Bilbao. The Nautilus and Albatross are their names, as you will have heard. If they are of the same class as her Majesty's gun-vessel Fly, Capt. Brine, they will be up to their work. The Fly is in the harbor now, and is being much admired by the Spaniards. She is twin-screwed and carries four guns—two of great power—and steams nine and a half knots an hour with a draught of only nine feet—just the vessel, in fact, to carry out an effectual blockade if called upon to do so. She leaves for San Sebastian and Bilbao early in the week. The Spaniards themselves appear to be willing to leave the task of blockading to their German allies, for no less than three of their scarce fleet of gun-boats, the Consuelo, Leon, and La Ditano are here now and have been for some time past; another is stationed off Portugalete, imagining perhaps that she is blockading the sixty miles of coast between it and the mouth of the Bidassoa.

The landing of arms at Bermeo by the American steamer, it true, is extraordinary, since the commander of the Consuelo declares that he was steaming off that port, and watching it most carefully, night and day, at the very time of the alleged disembarkation, and yet saw no signs of a steamer. The Spanish Navy now-a-days is becoming unfortunate to a proverb. The only French vessel in these waters is the Oriflamme, and she is at Bilbao. Your Italian correspondent is doubtless right in correcting the report of Italy sending war vessels to join Germany in her blockade. No Cortes, it appears, is to be convoked after all, most probably in order to avoid disagreeable questions being asked. If acknowledgments by the great powers can be obtained without resorting to that expedient, one cannot blame the present Ministry, at all events, for shielding themselves from all difficulties by means of the dictatorship of Marshal Serrano. The circular to foreign powers which has just been issued throws but little light on the present unfortunate state of affairs. Much as Spaniards declaim against foreign intervention, it will be a long while ere they taste the blessings of peace, judging by what is now passing around us.

ANCIENT TREES IN NEVADA.

The Virginia City (Nevada) *Enterprise* says: "In the bottom of the main shaft of the Virginia City Coal Company, El Dorado Cañon, Lyon County, has been encountered the trunk of a tree four feet in diameter, a lone relic of an ancient and extinct forest. Where cut through by the shaft this old tree is found to be perfectly carbonized—turned into coal. Outside the old log is completely crusted over with iron pyrites, many of which are so bright that the crystals shine like diamonds. These pyrites also extend into the body of this log, filling what were apparently once cracks or wind-shaker, and even forming clusters about what was once the heart of the tree. This relic of an old-time forest lies far below the two veins of coal the company are about to open. The finding of this old trunk is evidence that the country was at some time, ages and ages ago, covered by a forest of large trees; though the native timber growth, when the country was first visited by the whites, and as far back as the traditions of the Indians extend, was but a scrubby species of nut-pine. A few miles from the shaft in which this carbonized tree was found are to be seen on the surface the petrified remains of many large trees. In the early days of Washoe, before the prospectors had broken them up for specimens, pieces of tree-trunks two or three feet in diameter and twenty or thirty feet in length, were to be seen lying upon the surface of the ground. However, these trees, and even the one found in the bottom of the shaft of the coal-mine, may have come from the foot hills of the Sierra Nevada Mountains—may have drifted out when seas of water everywhere covered our present valleys. The water lines visible on the hills show that the whole country was filled with lakes, and the petrified trees lying here and there on the surface of the ground probably floated out on the waters of the extinct lakes, and finally sunk to the bottom in the places where they are now found."

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COMMISSIONER DAVENPORT.

THE ATTEMPT TO REMOVE HIM FROM OFFICE.

LETTERS FROM THE COMMISSIONER TO GEORGE W. WINGATE—THE "CHARGES" NOT YET READY—CURIOUS DELAY IN THEIR PREPARATION.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

For some seven weeks last past, with hardly the intermission of a day, at least one of the daily journals has teemed with statements respecting the preparation, by one George W. Wingate, on behalf of parties whom he styles "his clients," of certain "charges and specifications" against me, upon which my removal from office was to be demanded.

To this hour I have maintained toward the press and the public the most absolute silence respecting the matter, but as I seem to-day as far from being able to bring the gentleman and "his clients" into court as I have been at any time since the sensation was started, I am led to accept the advice of friends, and send you the following copy of my correspondence with the distinguished counsel, in the hope that its publication may tend to accelerate the eruption which this mountain has so long, and thus far so unsuccessfully, labored with.

NEW-YORK, July 21, 1874.

George W. Wingate, Esq.:

DEAR SIR: On Friday, the 10th of July, you caused to be handed to Hon. Lewis B. Woodruff a petition asking my removal from office.

The first notice to me of such proceeding was contained in the *Herald* of Monday, July 13—three days thereafter.

Immediately upon learning thereof by the published statement in the *Herald*, I wrote you asking for a copy of all the papers left with Judge Woodruff. Yesterday afternoon such copy was left at my office, and by you immediately given to the press, accompanied by a letter from yourself, in which you say you will "at as early a day as practicable prefer formal charges and specifications, of the filing of which you (I) will be duly notified."

As it has taken me eleven days, during far the greater part of which time you, and those whom you represent, or who are acting with you, have amused and entertained yourselves at my expense by various statements made to reporters and others for publication in the daily press, to obtain even a copy of your petition, and as to this hour nothing is charged against me in such manner and form as that it may be inquired into, I write seeking information as to about the time when I may expect your "formal charges and specifications" will be filed. I am not only willing, but anxious, to meet you and your charges at the earliest possible day, and will do all in my power to facilitate the inquiry which you claim to seek, but I feel that I am justified in inquiring as to when I may expect the matter to assume such shape as that I may have some part and lot in the proceeding.

Your early answer will oblige me.

Having, of your own motion, published not only your petition and your letters to me, but mine to you, please consider yourself, so far as I am concerned, at liberty to continue in that course in respect to this, or any future communication I may make.

It evidently affords you so much gratification that I feel constrained not to interfere with your amusement, so far as even to suggest that, if the time you spend with reporters was devoted to the completion of your "charges and specifications," we might the earlier reach a conclusion in this matter, which you will find must eventually be passed upon in a judicial manner. Respectfully yours,

JOHN I. DAVENPORT.

To this letter no answer was received, whereupon, on the 27th, I sent the following:

NEW-YORK, July 27, 1874.

George W. Wingate, Esq.:

DEAR SIR: On the 21st inst. I addressed you expressing my anxiety to meet you before the Circuit Court in the matter of your attempt to remove me, and requesting to be informed as to about the time I might expect your formal "charges and specifications" would be filed.

As almost a week has elapsed since the date of my letter and no reply has been received from you, I would call your attention thereto, and request that some response to my communication may be made.

Pardon me if I add that while I trust your "obligations" to me for the assurance of all the work you wanted for the rest of the Summer are not growing less, I am afraid you are not disposed to work at this time. Respectfully yours,

JOHN I. DAVENPORT.

No answer was ever received to this communication, and on the 6th of August, inst., I forwarded Mr. Wingate the following letter and proposition:

NEW-YORK, Aug. 6, 1874.

George W. Wingate, Esq.:

DEAR SIR: On the 10th of July you caused to be handed to Hon. Lewis B. Woodruff what the *Herald*, on July 13, from which I first obtained my information of the facts, described as "a number of papers and affidavits calling upon him to remove Commissioner Davenport from office."

Immediately upon the receipt of your papers, which were indorsed by you as counsel, Judge Woodruff informed you that he could take no cognizance thereof, for the reason that what you had done was to prepare a petition, which you had addressed neither to the Circuit Court, nor to him as Circuit Judge, but simply to Hon. L. B. Woodruff as a citizen; that if the power of removal existed, it was in the Circuit Court, and not in the Judge thereof, and that if you desired to impeach my competency or fidelity, you must prepare charges and specifications, and file them in the Clerk's office, giving me notice thereof.

Whether your proceeding in the singular manner you did was due to ignorance or malice, I shall not here discuss. I have an opinion, however, which at some future time I shall not be unlikely to express.

On the 13th of July—the day on which, by the publication in the *Herald* I first learned of your action—I wrote you requesting copies of all papers and affidavits handed by you to Judge Woodruff, at the same time expressing my desire to facilitate in every manner the inquiry you claimed to seek.

On the following day (the 14th) you replied that it would not take you long to furnish the copies requested; thanked me for the assurance which I gave you for all the work you wanted during the Summer, and referred me to the result of the Gardner and Charlick trial, which you accepted as "an omen" of the result in my matter.

On the 20th, some ten days after Judge Woodruff had informed you of your proper course, and a week after my letter to you of the 13th, I succeeded in obtaining from you a copy of the papers, accompanied by a letter in which you deliberately and wantonly, and for the purpose of injuring *me*, misrepresented the action of Judge Woodruff by saying: "As Judge Woodruff has expressed his desire that the matter should take the shape of charges preferred to the Circuit Court, I shall act as early a day as possible prepare formal charges and specifications of the filing of which you (I) will be notified." This letter, with the "papers and affidavits," you at the same time gave to the daily press for publication.

On the following day, the 21st, remembering how long it had taken me to get even a copy of your petition, and that you had then had Judge Woodruff's letter in your possession some ten days, I wrote you inquiring as to about the time when I might expect your "formal charges and specifications" would be filed; at the same time again expressing to you, not only my willingness but my anxiety to meet you and your charges speedily, and to facilitate your inquiry in every way in my power.

To that communication you did not reply, and nearly a week thereafter, on the 27th, I wrote again, calling your attention to my letter of the 21st, and requesting a response thereto; but to this hour you have failed to reply either to my letter of the 21st or the 27th ultimo.

Having now, for nearly four weeks, wholly failed to take any steps towards complying with what you term "Judge Woodruff's desire," and having for more than three weeks wholly failed to respond to any communication addressed to you relative to the matter, I feel that I am justified in assuming that you do not mean to prepare and file any "formal charges and specifications," but propose to content yourself with the fact that you have succeeded in having published in the daily press a copy of your slanderous "papers and affidavits," and thereby created an impression in the community that great outrages have been committed by me, and suddenly unearthed by you and your eight apostles who signed the communication. I mean, however, that you shall either light of the dark as regards the full extent where your "formal charges and specifications" are to be ready, nor whether you expect to have any "formal charges or specifications." I now propose to you, in view of the difficulties which seem to surround you, that you take your "papers and affidavits" and strike therefrom the words "Hon. L. B. Woodruff," and insert "To the Circuit Court of the United States in and for the Southern District of New-York, in the Second Judicial Circuit," and I will then regard each and every line of such "papers and affidavits" as a charge, and, waiving all further specifications, will meet you at once before the Circuit Court where the investigation may proceed.

And I further propose that in addition you insert as another cause for my removal, the charge made by the New-York *World* that I have issued warrants in blank, &c.; or I will stipulate—without your so inserting—that such statement shall be considered as being a part of your papers; and in respect to which you shall be at liberty to furnish all such evidence as you may be able to procure.

I am led to this course by the desire that this matter shall be fully inquired into, to the end that if I have committed the acts with which I am charged I may be removed at the earliest possible day, and before the coming election, in which I shall take—unless so removed—official action quite as efficient and decided as heretofore, and quite as likely to be complained of by those whom you represent and who are acting with you.

If you *mean* to meet me and have your "charges," your "papers and affidavits," your "petitions" and your "statement" inquired into and judicially passed upon, I think I have made the way so broad and easy that even a counsellor who prepares, indorses as counsel, and publishes as facts a tissue of falsehoods—the means of ascertaining the truth of which were at the time within his reach—and then for nearly a month does not find it "possible" to put into the shape of "formal charges and specifications" the papers that he has prepared, indorsed, and published, may prove so much as he can, even although he cannot prove what he has alleged or what he would.

If you do not mean to meet me I think it pertinent for me to inquire, what has become of the "omen" which you created for me and then "accepted" yourself.

Again, has it ceased to be "possible" to "prepare formal changes and specifications?" If so, is it in anywise due to the fact that your allies in the Eighteenth Assembly District, in their effort of the past two weeks to find a sufficient number of other such scoundrels as Dunphy, from whom they might procure false affidavits, have not met with their usual success?

Possibly, if you cannot accept my proposition you can, at least, answer some one of my queries.

Yours respectfully, JOHN I. DAVENPORT.

In response to this letter, which was opened by Mr. Wingate's partner, I received, under date of Aug. 11, five days after the date of my latter, a short note stating that Mr. Wingate was then absent from the city, but upon his return, which would be about the 18th inst., your (my) letter "will meet with the promptitude and attention it merits and deserves."

Assurances were also made that the long-talked of "charges" would undoubtedly be made and pressed, and expression given to the preferences of Mr. Wingate's clients to conduct their matters in their own way, while grateful to me for my suggestions.

Mr. Wingate returned the first of this week, and the nearest approach to charges which I have yet seen is the renewal in the newspapers of the statement that he is *at work* upon them.

May he be granted a safe deliverance.

JOHN I. DAVENPORT.

No. 41 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW-YORK, Saturday, Aug. 22, 1874.

THE FIRST DUTY OF REPUBLICANS.

From the Watertown Times, Aug. 22.

THE NEW-YORK TIMES has admonished the Republicans of the State to send good men, and particularly young ones, to the State Convention. It is timely and proper counsel. The advice may have wider application than this. It is the first duty of Republicans to send good men, of sound judgment, and high character to all nominating conventions. In many cases the nominating conventions actually make the choice of the representive. Hence this work is the kind that requires the greatest sagacity and the most careful discrimination. It is an easy thing for any man to cast his ballot for a candidate once in nomination; in the most cases all the choice which the elector makes, or has the chance to make, is in the primary meetings where convention delegates are chosen. If the Republican electors fail in any case to seize this opportunity, and in consequence a bad man is nominated for office, the voter then has no choice but to accept the objectionable candidate or vote in a way that brings him in opposition to the candidate of his party or to throw away his vote.

The Republicans of Jefferson County are intelligent and so largely in the majority that they will choose the men whom they nominate for office. Their first duty is to put in nomination the men whom the general sentiment of the party approves for office. That result can be attained only in one way. It is by the attendance of Republican voters at the primary meeting, and by the choice in such meetings of the delegates who will represent this sentiment and will make fit and acceptable nominations. When that is done, no man has the right to complain of the result. The candidates are the obvious choice of the party, and should receive upon all sides a warm and effective support. In contests which now promise to arise for nominations, it is to be hoped that the Republicans will everywhere come out to the primary meetings and select such delegates as will represent them in convention, and will nominate the men whom the people desire for their representatives and servants. Then when the nominations are thus made, we can make a strong pull altogether, and give the candidates one of the old time rousing Republican majorities.

WHAT THE DEMOCRATS WANT.

The painful search now being made for a Democratic candidate for Governor of the State excites the warm sympathy of the Ogdensburg *Journal* and it says: "A person is wanted who has no record, or else a record that will stand criticism. But as there are no prominent members of the party with the right kind of a record, some Democrat who has been an inmate for the past fifteen years of a deaf and dumb asylum, will probably have to be taken. Or, perhaps, a lost man who is despondent as to the future of the human family, and hates niggers, but of whose habits of thought and sayings nothing is known, might be found. We saw recently an account of a woman in England who was deaf and dumb and had no hands, and could not, therefore, write. Such a person as that in New-York State would most likely have no record, and would make an excellent Democratic candidate for Governor."

A PERTINENT REMINDER.

Peculiarly suggestive at home are these words from the Columbia, (S. C.,) *Union Herald*, a Republican journal that has learned it is worth while to meet issues fairly: "The Republican State Central Committee of Arkansas has called a State Convention for Sept. 15. The committee profess to ignore the Constitutional Convention now in session, on the ground that it was called without authority. These patriots hope to get up a contest as to the legality of the next election, and hope to induce Congress and the President to undo what has been done toward the overthrow of the Republican party of that State. They may as well save their breath. Both the President and Congress will leave them where they are. The administration has unloaded, so far as Arkansas republicanism is concerned, and will be slow to take up such a burden. A long course of repentance in hunger and cold will be useful to Arkansas Republicans. While thus suffering they may learn a lesson, useful, also, to other States nearer Washington, that no amount of party fidelity will save those who fall under the just sentence of the American people, as unfaithful, corrupt, and ignorant officials."

CONVENTIONS THIS WEEK.

The list of political conventions to be held this week is unusually long, and includes the following.

MONDAY, Aug. 24.—Louisiana Democratic State Convention in Baton Rouge.

TUESDAY, Aug. 25.—Illinois Straight Democratic State Convention in Springfield.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 26.—Michigan Republican State Convention in Lansing; Kansas Republican State Convention in Topeka; Pennsylvania Democratic State Convention in Pittsburg; Ohio Democratic State Convention in Columbus; Missouri Democratic State Convention in Jefferson City; Illinois Democratic State Convention in Springfield.

THURSDAY, Aug. 27.—New-Jersey Republican State Convention in Trenton.

INDIANA TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

A Christian State Temperance Convention is to be held in Indianapolis, Ind., on Wednesday, Sept. 2. The call says: "Its chief objects will be to bring the moral and religious sentiments of the people face to face with the arrogant demands of the defenders and upholders of the drinking habits of society. Meeting thus in council to oppose the giant evil of intemperance, we will ever make our appeal to God, in whose name we call His servants, believing that he will hear and answer our prayers, and that we will sing praises to His name, 'when the people willingly offer themselves.'"

ITALY.

CONTEMPLATED IMPERIAL VISIT TO VICTOR EMMANUEL.

ITALIAN UNITY THREATENED BY THE CHURCH—POSITION OF THE CLERICAL PARTY—MENDICANCY AT ROME—THE LOTTERY.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ROME, Friday, Aug. 7, 1874.

Talk of the intended visit of the Emperor William and the Emperor Francis Joseph to Victor Emmanuel is revived, and there seems considerable probability that some time before the end of the year the long-meditated project will be carried out. There can be no doubt that it is the wish of the German Emperor and people, by such a crowning act of national courtesy, to add the last moral sanction and proof of the unity of sentiment and purpose of the two States in their efforts for a common object—the consolidation of the national integrity and resistance to ultramontane reaction. For Francis Joseph, the unity of the Austro-Hungarian Kingdom is an object of not less vital interest than for the others, and although the clerical party in Austria does not dare to proceed to such audacious extremes, it is not less hostile than in Germany or Italy, to the reform of ecclesiastical abuses now in progress in the administration of these States. Italy now looks toward Austria with no feeling of suspicion or anxiety, for the policy of non-intervention, established after the events of the war, is accepted as a permanent position in the relations between the two nations. But such is not yet the happy feeling of confidence toward France—a country restless and dissatisfied, with no clearly-defined prospect for the future, and no principle of action upon which either Italy or Germany can rely.

Our friends here of the clerical party are still looking forward with as much confidence as ever to the time when Henry V. will take the place of Louis Napoleon in doing constable's duty at the door of the Vatican. We are constantly reminded by the priests that the time is coming when the Pope will be restored to his office of chief magistrate of Rome. Just how it is to be brought about, they are not prepared yet to tell us; but this, at least, they know—that France, the first-born, or "eldest son," of the Church, is to be the agent for restoring its shattered fortunes. Nearly all their hopes are fixed on a war between Catholic France and Evangelical Germany, in which the eagles of the Franks are to tear from the standards of the Teutons the honors borne off in the victorious campaigns of four years ago. In the tremendous jar caused by such concussions, the card-house of the unity of Italy, with Rome as capital, is to topple down. Poor Spain—which, under Don Carlos, is aspiring to take the lead of the "Latin race"!—is to have a part in the fray, but probably only that of the political brigand in the dramatic rôle.

CARDINAL GUIBERT.

You have seen some time before this the "pastoral letter" of Cardinal Guibert, Archbishop of Paris, addressed to the faithful of his diocese, but intended for the devoted army of ultramontanes in all the world. The Italian journals have given much attention to this new manifesto of the French clerical politician. Most of the leading newspapers printed the document, knowing the curiosity of the public to be informed as to the character of every new expression of feeling or opinion among the leaders in influential circles in France. We soon saw what importance was attributed by the Government to this "pastoral," by witnessing the suppression of the issues of the journals containing it, by an order from authority. The character of this, and all similar ecclesiastical circulars, is simply that of an appeal to France to make war upon Italy at the earliest convenient moment in the interest of the Pope. A few weeks ago Signor Nigra, the well-proved Italian Minister at Paris, in a speech at Vaucluse, on the occasion of the centenary of Petrarch, with words chosen with great judgment and taste, lent himself to the good work of winning new sympathies, and confirming the ancient friendship of France for Italy. The influence of such a discourse was calculated to be the best possible in both countries, and for this it was applauded by all sincere friends of peace and a good understanding. The best interests may be promoted by accord between these two leading nations of the Latin stock. But what a contrast! While the agents of the civil authority are active in the use of means for the preservation of peace, the spiritual fathers are making their supreme effort to excite fanatical passions and sow discord. Were not this French priest one of the most conspicuous among those laboring to bring about a collision between the two nations, his words would only attract attention in the more limited circle of the people of the parish or diocese to which they are addressed. The Roman Catholic hierarchy is becoming more and more exclusively a political party, with the ambition to take a conspicuous part in the government of States. Even the highest prize or place is aspired for; that of making the Pope the supreme head of a convention of nations in which the Romish religion predominates, with a circle of sovereigns, like Don Carlos and Henry V., governing with absolute principles, with the rule laid down by the infallible *dictum* of the Girarch at Rome.

We had in circulation here last week a cock and bull story about an attempt made to assassinate the King. The opportunity chosen, according to the report, was when Victor Emmanuel was off on one of his hunting excursions, which for some time he has been enjoying among the mountains of Northern Italy. The newspapers took notice of the rumor, but the truth of it was soon denied by the official journal, which was what we expected. Since then an effort has been made to trace the assertions, advanced with so much particularity, to their origin. It has led also to reflections upon the state of the political atmosphere, which is impregnated with the spirit of assassination. They must be numskulls, whoever they are, who believe that by getting the Prince Bismarck or Victor Emmanuel out of the way the situation may be changed. There are principles in antagonism, and questions in discussion, the settlement of which does not depend upon the life of any individual. Horace Walpole spoke of a certain bishop who thought assassination a less affront to heaven than three Lutheran churches. We certainly would not charge the prelates with being friendly to regicide, but the conduct of some of them is such as to lead the most blindly devoted of their followers into any extreme. When we see them clap their hands with joy at the sanguinary excesses of the Carlists, and ready to stimulate the French to a war of revenge against Germany, we can only find for their conduct words of condemnation.

ROMAN BEGGARS.

The government of the city of Rome has labored hard for several years to make an end of the habit of mendicancy, so fixed, under priestly rule, in the character of the lower class of the population. It was part of a system to keep the masses as much as possible in a condition of dependence upon the prelates, receiving from them—as thousands did—the small sums which were regularly doled out. Large numbers of monks, called *mendicanti*, got their living in the same way. All these were as completely bound to the service of the ecclesiastics as so many serfs to their liege-lords. Now that the convents are broken up, and the monks are pensioners of the Government, the brothers, who have been taught to believe that beggary is a virtue, wish to keep up their old habit of going from shop to shop and house to house, teasing for alms. All along, before this, while others who have violated the law prohibiting mendicancy have been put under arrest, these have been allowed to freely follow their craft. But last week the law was for the first time applied to the begging monks, and several were brought before the magistrate, and one or two sent to prison for five days. Another example of cruel persecution, those will say who think it nobler to live on others than to get a living by following some useful calling. One of the worst annoyances of the foreign visitors in Winter has been that of the lines of beggars along the avenues in the Trinità dei Monti quarter, calling upon every well-dressed passer-by to pay toll, or "stand and deliver." It is a sort of brigandage, carried on under inter-mural protection, for the importunities of some are carried nearly to the extreme of placing the hand upon the person. The hope of modern civilization is in giving employment to all, with a just remuneration, accompanied with the instruction necessary to help the individual to make a good use of the means at his command.

THE ITALIAN LOTTERY.

The public lottery still exists in Italy, from which the Government derives a revenue of many millions of francs, which, unfortunately, it does not yet find itself in condition to dispense with. The lottery in Italy is a great demoralizing influence—that all reflecting people declare. And with some there is a doubt whether the Monte di Pietà is not also the agent of quite as much evil as good. I myself have known not a few instances in which poor people have pledged their wearing apparel and household articles to obtain small sums to tempt the favor of fortune. Tickets of the value of a few sous are sold, and it is from the classes of the population without patrimony, or with the slenderest means, that the revenue from the lottery is principally derived.

THE BEECHER SCANDAL.

The interest created in the Beecher-Tilton controversy when the Investigating Committee commenced their labors some four or five weeks ago seems now to have entirely subsided. Yesterday the subject was scarcely referred to in Brooklyn outside the family circles of those immediately connected with the case. All the members of the committee were out of town yesterday, and some of them will not return before Wednesday, when the next meeting will be held to conclude the report. There is little interest, however, manifested as to the decision which the Investigating Committee may reach. Mr. Tilton promises a lengthy document in reply to Mr. Beecher, and Mr. Moulton purposes to give the public another statement, touching his own personal character in connection with the scandal. Plymouth Church was largely attended yesterday, and the confidence of the congregation in their Pastor is every day gaining fresh strength.

MR. BEECHER PREACHES AT THE TWIN MOUNTAIN HOUSE.

BOSTON, Aug. 28.—The announcement that Rev. Henry Ward Beecher was to preach at the Twin Mountain House, New-Hampshire, caused a large influx of people to hear him. Stages loaded with visitors from all the hotels and towns in the vicinity, aggregating about 1,200. A pulpit was temporarily erected in the parlor, and the usual service was held. The text was taken from Second Timothy, second chapter, a part of the nineteenth verse, "nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal the Lord knoweth them that are his." The sermon, an hour and a quarter, and was a general one, making no allusion whatever to the scandal.

A QUARREL BETWEEN WOMEN RESULTING FATALLY.

On Thursday last, Mrs. Catherine Winter, of No. 131 West Seventeenth street, and Mrs. Ellen McMahon, of No. 130 West Seventeenth street, quarreled in front of their residences. In the fisticuff encounter which followed, Mrs. McMahon was defeated. On the return home of her husband, James McMahon, in the evening, she told him Mrs. Winter had beaten her. McMahon, who is a man seventy-eight years old, went into the street, and finding Mrs. Winter standing at her door, knocked her down and kicked her about the head body and abdomen. She was carried to her room insensible. McMahon was arrested, and being arraigned at Jefferson Market on the following morning, was discharged by Justice Morgan. Dr. Gyles, of Ninth avenue, however, informed Mr. Isaac Winter, the woman's husband, on Friday evening that his wife was liable to die at any moment from hemorrhage. Winter went to the Twenty-ninth Precinct Station-house and asked for McMahon's rearrest. The Police of the precinct declined to arrest McMahon again. Yesterday Winter called on Inspector Dilmarmott, at Police Head-quarters, and stated the facts. Inspector McDermott ordered Sergt. Rourke, of the Twenty-ninth Precinct, to rearrest McMahon at once, which was done. Coroner Croker was notified to take Mrs. Winter's ante-mortem statement.

THE LATE FATAL DUEL IN LOUISIANA.

The New-Orleans *Times* has the following in relation to the two men who were both recently killed in a duel near that city:

It is related of Dr. Gray, who was killed in the recent duel between him and Mr. Richard in the parish of St. James, that he had been a surgeon in the British Army, and served in the Crimea. He was also a surgeon in the Federal Army, during the late inter-State war. Mr. Richard, who was also killed in the fight, lived long enough to say: "If I live I will kill the man that says Dr. Gray was a coward." Those were his last words. The seconds who aided and abetted this murderous duel were all in the city on Tuesday night. Mr. F. Poche was one of them. It is stated that they have deemed it prudent for the present to travel for their health.

A correspondent of the *German Gazette* writes, under the 18th, that Dr. Charles Gray was shot through the heart and D. J. Richard mortally wounded. The excitement runs very high against Rachard and his seconds, as the doctor was very popular as a successful physician. Richard had lately cowhided a Mr. John Reff, who had him arrested, when he had challenged Mr. Jackson, of the *Sentinel*. The correspondent states further that Dr. Gray, on Saturday, refused to fight, and that Richard, on Sunday morning, placarded the doctor over the whole parish in the following card, a copy of which is annexed:

I hereby denounce Dr. Charles Gray as a villainous liar, an infamous scoundrel, and a contemptible coward. D. J. RICHARD.

ST. JAMES, Aug. 15, 1874.

CELEBRATION AT FORT POPHAM, MAINE.

The anniversary of the landing at Sabine will be held at Fort Popham, at the mouth of the Kennebec, on Saturday, Aug. 29. The address upon the occasion will be delivered by Franklin B. Hough, LL.D., of New-York, and other gentlemen will be prepared to make addresses if time permits. Mr. A. G. Tenney, Secretary of the joint committee of arrangements, by authority has invited members of the Maine Historical Society and others interested in historical investigations, to be present and participate in the exercises of the occasion. Invitations have also been extended to a few gentlemen abroad, who have taken an especial interest in matters of Maine history.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS PROSPERITY.

The proprietors of the Auburn *Advertiser*, Messrs. Knapp & Peck, mention that last week they completed the twenty-fifth year of their publication of that paper. They make the following comments: "On the 22d day of August, 1849, they embarked in the enterprise, and without intermission of any sort, except the regular holidays and Sundays, have continued in the business, publishing a paper every day since that date. We do not know it to be a fact, but we doubt very much whether there is another daily paper in the State that has been conducted for such a length of time without change of proprietors and by the same firm. To say that the *Advertiser and Journal* have been reasonably prosperous under their present management would be to state what is generally known already. We admit the fact, and express our hearty thanks and obligations to those who have assisted in any way to make them so."

THE BIG GUN.

The manufacture of the 81-ton gun at the Royal Gun Factories in the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, is slowly progressing, and every step in its growth is watched with considerable interest. The largest of its coils except one was welded under the great steam hammer recently, and afforded a very interesting sight to a large number of spectators. This coil weighs nearly twenty-six tons, but it was manipulated with the greatest ease by the expert forgemen of the Royal Gun Factories, although it was larger by five tons than any coil that has ever been made. Another, nearly double the size, will, however, have to be prepared for the same gun, and some special machinery is being constructed for its manufacture. The progress of the gun has in like manner necessitated alterations of the plant in most of the workshops of the department. The lathe in which the steel tube is being bored has had its head carried about ten feet through the wall into the next shop, being so much longer than any tube which has previously passed through the boring mills. Its length is nearly twenty-five feet, and its weight about sixteen tons. At the first boring a rough cut of eight inches is to be taken out, the calibre being enlarged by subsequent cuts of eleven, thirteen, and fourteen inches.

SARATOGA.

THE COMING REGATTA.

PROGRAMME AND PRIZES—THE CREWS ON THE GROUND—TRAINING FOR THE RACES—THE COURSE.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SARATOGA, Saturday, Aug. 22, 1874.

The second annual, or, as it is known, the "great Saratoga Regatta," will be held on Friday, Aug. 28, and the succeeding Saturday and Monday. Although published before, it may be advisable at this time to mention the order of the races once again. On the first day there will be the single shell race for the championship of the State, and double scull race; second day, pair oared shells and senior single sculls; third day, single shells, junior and four-oared shells, and an extra single shell race open to all members of amateur rowing clubs, professional oarsmen excepted. The prizes are: The Empire diamond sculls and a silver presentation cup for the State championship; two gold presentation medals for the double sculls; the Interlaken challenge cup for the pair oared; also, two silver presentation cups; for the senior scullers, President's challenge cup and a diamond presentation medal junior scullers, a gold presentation medal; extra scullers race, a silver cup, four oars, the Saratoga challenge cup, and four presentation cups. These prizes of plate were displayed in the windows of the store beneath the rowing association's headquarters, opposite the United States Hotel, this afternoon, and attracted a great deal of attention, notwithstanding the counter attraction of the horse racing going on during the afternoon.

Now that the turf excitements are subsiding the aquatic fever is just breaking out. Where scarcely a syllable touching the coming regatta was lisped heretofore, the merits of the crews and their prospects have become subjects of interesting discussion. Each crew finds its friends among the representatives of its State, and nothing like betting speculation has been observed yet. I mean that wagering as a business does not find favor so far. There will be no pool selling on this regatta, Mr. Conkling, President of the association, told me this morning, and betting, he said, must be done in an amateur way, because the regatta has not been gotten up in the interests of gamesters or sporting characters. This is all very well; but the "sporting men" are here with lots of money to do as they did last month, improve their opportunities and mulct the enthusiasts or unwary. In this manner I have been informed that most of those whose fortunes on the turf during the meeting now terminated were anything but bright, hope to recover a portion of their losses at least. Be the rumor creditable or otherwise, there can be no harm in giving it place here for the benefit of the unsophisticated. Having awakened to the fact that the regatta is very near at hand, the good people of this place are anxious now to see the course and the clubs in training at the lake. It is, therefore, certainly projected for next week by circles and sets to pay visits to the training places and take a look at the men. I forestalled the rest of the community in this regard to-day by quietly driving out to Abel's, where the Wesleyan boys prepared for the Inter-Collegiate event, and then strolled down to the Atlantic boat-house. I found James O'Neil, Gramercy Boat Club, New-York, who is entered for the extra scullers' race, and had a chat with him concerning the work and condition of the crews now at the lake side. He told me that the daily habits of the crews were to go out on the road before breakfast, about 6 A. M., and take a good four-mile walk; return, eat and rest until 10:30, when the boats were launched and the crews rowed five miles or so at a good working rate. They then come into dinner, which is eaten at 1 P. M., and after that rest until 5 o'clock, when the same distance is rowed again. Supper follows at 7 P. M., then another long walk and the men retire at an early hour. The diet of the crews, as described by Dr. R. Withers, stroke of the Atalantas, consists of plenty of plain food, with meat in abundance. No luxuries are allowed. Certainly the appearance of the oarsmen to-day is suggestive of the rudest health. Their eyes are bright, skin brown and unblemished, and their limbs have that look in repose indicative of tremendous power. Few of the men are brawny. They are rather little and wiry than massive. They look like work, and undoubtedly mean it. The weather at the lake has been fine and cool this week, and the water has been very smooth in the forenoon. This is cheering, as the races are to begin each day at 11 A. M., an arrangement, no doubt, the result of the committee's sad experience on account of unpropitious weather on the days of the college regatta.

The crews here at 2 P. M. to-day were: At Abel's, James O'Neil, of Gramercy Club, who arrived July 6, and the Vernon Club, of Savannah, Ga.—J. Schley, bow; George Schley, G. G. Kimball, Hal Schley, stroke, who came on the 21st of July.

At Snake Hill, the Gramercy Club, (New-York,) W. F. Gannon, bow; H. R. Mills, H. M. Howell, W. K. Williamson, stroke. Substitute, H. A. Palenstine. They arrived about 29th July.

At Myers', former head-quarters of Yale Crew, the Potomacs, Georgetown, D. C.: Frank Jones, bow; A. J. McBlair, H. S. Truax; D. Coughlin, stroke. Substitutes, Z. T. Carpenter and M. J. Nicholson. These reached Saratoga on the first week of August.

At Moon's, the Argonauts, Bergen Point, N. J.: Edward Smith, bow; Walter Man, Benjamin Stephenson, F. C. Eldred, stroke. Substitutes—Morris A. Phillips and E. J. Bramhall. They came this day week.

At Reilly's—The Seawanhakas, Greenpoint, Long Island, W. Knauth, bow; R. H. Orr, J. H. Johnson, Tom Elliott, stroke. Substitutes—John Keppler, W. Kelsey, and W. Wilson. They arrived on Monday.

At Moon's and in the Harvard boat-house the Atalantas, New-York, R. B. Bainbridge, bow; W. H. Spear, O. T. Johnson, Dr. R. Withers, stroke. Substitutes—E. Blake, Theodore Van Raden, and Alexander Handy. These also came on Monday.

At Ramsdall, in the Cornell crew's house, the Palmettos, Charleston, S. C., Henry R. Bull, bow; De Saussure Parker, W. M. L. Lesesne, H. Mott Parker, stroke. This crew arrived on Wednesday.

At Curtis', in the Dartmouth crew's house, the Wah-wah-sum, Saginaw, Mich., James Jercme, bow; P. Manning, Henry Smith, V. B. Paine, stroke. Substitutes—E. G. Lovell and J. W. Alexander.

There are then eight of the crews entered on the ground. The rest—the Atlantics, of Hoboken, N. J.; Argonauts, Toronto, Canada; Beaverwyck, Albany, N. Y.; Buffalo, of Buffalo; and Duquesne, Allegheny City, Penn.—are expected daily.

The course to be rowed is not the same as that on which the Inter-collegiate struggle occurred. It has been altered to a wider part of the lake, putting the stake-boat or finish nearly opposite Abel's, a little below or nearer Saratoga than Schuyler's Cottage. The courses are to be for the Junior, Senior, and State Champion Scullers' races, two miles with a turn; for the extra scullers' double, pair-oared, and four-oared races, three miles with a turn. There is one great improvement hereby on the last regatta. The spectators will be able to witness the whole of each contest from the grand stand, which is being constructed at the water's edge immediately below the Schuyler grounds. It is easier of access for ladies, and will be more substantially built. These are about the only new features of the preparations at this stage. Others are thought of, but not yet decided upon.

THE VALUE OF AN UMBRELLA.

The champion belt for the meanest man, the Boston *Transcript* thinks, goes to Calais, Me., a denizen of that Down-East municipality winning it against all competitors. The other Sunday, it says, Mr. Pitiful Fellow (we don't know his other name) was escorting two ladies, probably from church, and presumably clad in fine raiment, when a drenching shower came up, threatening dire destruction to the fragile attire of the fair pedestrians. While waiting in an opportune but insufficient doorway, P. F. espied an acquaintance with an umbrella, and to him straightway applied for assistance in his damp dilemma, offering 50 for the coveted protector. Now if a cotton umbrella, green or otherwise, is ever worth double its retail price, it is in the midst of a fierce shower with no other shelter at hand. The good-natured citizen, however, scorned to take advantage of his petitioner's dampened prospects, and through a feeling of gallantry parted with his invaluable rain shedder, and walked off unprotected through the fast descending flood, without waiting to take his pay, while the purchaser piloted the ladies home. Now did he hasten to his money benefactor with the covenanted scrip in his hand and the triple thanks of himself and companions on his lips? Not at all. He critically examined the serviceable parachute, decided he don't want to invest in umbrellas, and when called upon to pay, mounted his microscopic soul on a high moral hobby-horse, declared it unlawful to traffic on the Sabbath, and utterly refused to pay for it. Thereupon the good-natured but much-abused neighbor ventilated the matter in the local paper, declared that his act was one of mercy, if not of necessity, and fired hot shot into his opponent with so much effect that he is looking for a hole to crawl into, to escape the jeers of his townsmen.

THE TARIFF QUESTION.

RECIPROCITY WITH CANADA—SPEECH OF EX-MINISTER STEVENS.

Hon. John L. Stevens, late United States Minister to Paraguay and Uruguay, delivered an address in Augusta, Me., on Thursday evening, on the political issues of the day. The chief part of the speech was devoted to the tariff and shipping questions, and in the course of it he said:

A sound and experienced business firm, that makes and deals in a variety of articles, at the close of the year does not decide the question of profit and loss on one class of goods alone, but all the transactions are duly scanned and all the figures correctly footed up, and from the totals of loss and gain the conclusions are drawn as to the success and policy of the firm. Now it will be admitted that since March, 1861, Uncle Sam has been engaged in some pretty extensive business operations, of a somewhat varied and complex character. What has been the result of his business transactions? In the period named he has built 40,000 miles of railway and placed upon it the vast machinery of commercial transit—two and one-half times the number of miles now in existence in Great Britain and Ireland—and has done this at the cost of $1,800,000,000. The entire commercial marine of the world, according to data mostly taken from the authorized statistics of the respective countries, the remainder being estimated, amounts to 18,000,000 tons, and at $60 per ton has a value of $1,080,000,000. Thus, since 1861, we have invested in railroads $720,000,000 more than the cash value of the entire commercial shipping of the world, and in railways, factories, and agricultural machinery more than double the amount of all the world's shipping. In railways alone, in the period named, we have invested more than three-fold the value of all the commercial shipping of Great Britain, allowing the average value of all her vessels of every name and grade at $100 per ton, which is much more than a fair commercial value, and four times the amount of the entire value of all the shipping of the United States in 1861, when the tonnage of our commercial vessels was more than any other period of our history. In the years since 1861, hundreds of millions have been invested in our manufacturing establishments, increasing our manufacturing productive power more than 100 per cent. Despite the vast havoc and expenditure of labor and money by the war, amounting, inclusive of the destruction of the so-called "property in slaves," to more than $6,000,000,000—despite this tremendous outlay, the total property of the United States to-day is more than $36,000,000,000, against 16,000,000,000 in in 1860. This exceeds the property of Great Britain, which according to Dudley Baxter, the ablest and fairest of her statisticians, is $6,000,000,000, or $30,000,000,000. In Great Britain the returns from investments average little more than four per cent., while in the United States they average nearly eight per cent. Though the amount of our exports of domestic commodities in 1860 was $373,000,000, as against the increase in 1873 to $640,000,000, yet the amount of American freight in American vessels, owing to causes already stated and well understood, has lessened since 1861, while the volume of our internal commerce has increased in tremendous ratio. The total foreign commerce of Great Britain now amounts to the enormous average of of nearly $4,000,000,000 per annum; while the railroad commerce of the United States foots up nearly $12,000,000,000 per annum, or threefold more than Great Britain with her splendid commercial marine carries per annum on all the seas and oceans of the globe. Most emphatically we would not undervalue the importance of our shipping interest at this or any other time. Causes which have been

THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

At the Exchange on Saturday, Aug. 22, no real estate was sold by public auction, and no other business pertaining to real estate was transacted.

The total value of City real estate sold at the Exchange for the week ending with Saturday, Aug. 22, amounts to $467,456, against $85,440, the figures for the previous week.

The two most notable sales of the week were by I. V. Harnett, consisting of the partition sale of real estate belonging to the estate of the late Mrs. Jane Brown, consisting of store-house and dwelling property situate on the north side of Gouverneur alley and Scammel street, between Cherry street and the East River, which brought a total of $340,055. This property was all purchased by heirs to the estate, and the prices obtained cannot be fairly accepted as a fair criterion of the values of similar property, because no one besides the heirs bid on the property, and no one but them probably understood what the real intrinsic value of the property was. What the sale amounted to was merely an equitable distribution of the property among the heirs. The other notable sale was a foreclosure of twenty-six feet of land on the easterly end of the block bounded by Seventh avenue, Eighth avenue, and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh and One Hundred and Twenty-eighth streets, for $66,350. These prices show a great falling off in value, and as it was a free sale and there were speculators in attendance, the prices obtained would seem to be about what such property is intrinsically worth at the present time.

The only suburban auction held during the week was by A. D. Mellick, Jr., & Bro., of property belonging to the estate of the late D. A. Lambard at Yonkelle, N. Y., at which fifty half acre-lots were sold for a total of $7,300, the total figures for suburban property sold, against $8,000, the figures for the previous week.

PRIVATE SALE.

V. K. Stevenson, Jr., No. 11 Pine street and No. 1 East Seventeenth street, reports having sold the house and lot No. 25 East Sixty-fourth street, north side, 110 feet east of Madison avenue, to S. Mayer, of Mayer Bros. & Co., for $35,000.

THIS WEEK'S AUCTIONS.

The auctions announced for the present week are few in number and as follows, all being at the Exchange, unless otherwise noted:

To-day, Monday, Aug. 24.

By Hugh N. Camp, Court of Common Pleas foreclosure sale, under the direction of George Washington, Referee, of the plot of land, 48 by 200 on the south side of Washington avenue, 100 feet west of Fletcher street, Morrisania, Twenty-third Ward.

Tuesday, August 25.

By William Kennelly, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of William Sinclair, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot, 20.3 by 98.9 on the south side of Twenty-sixth street, 500 feet west of Sixth avenue; also a similar sale, under the direction of Thomas Reese, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot, 18.9 by 100.5, on the same side of Forty-seventh street, 468.9 feet east of Tenth avenue.

By Y. Harnett, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of William Sinclair, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot, 28.1 by 94, on the east side of First avenue, 86 feet north of Forty-sixth street; also a similar sale, under the direction of Isaac L. Miller, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot, 16.8 by 75, on the north side of Fifty-second street, 200 feet west of Eleventh avenue.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & White, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of L. A. Fuller, Esq., Referee, of the seven lots of land, each 25 by 100, on the north side of Fifty-second street, 200 feet west of Eleventh avenue.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & White, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of L. A. Fuller, Esq., Referee, of the seven lots of land, each 25 by 100, on the north side of Fifty-second street, 200 feet west of Eleventh avenue.

Friday, Aug. 28.

By A. H. Muller & Son, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of Wm. Sinclair, Esq., Referee, of the plot of land, 75 by 98.9, on the south side of Thirty-eighth street, 250 feet east of Second avenue.

By James H. Miller, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of Walter L. Livingston, Esq., Referee, of one lot, 25.10 by 100, on the northwest corner of Grand Boulevard and One Hundredth street.

By Joseph McGuire, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of S. Jones, Esq., Referee, of the two four-story and basement brown-stone houses, 20 by 100, on the south side of Seventieth street, 125 feet east of Fourth avenue.

By Joseph McGuire, Porter & Co., Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of Thomas F. Landon, Esq., Referee, of the house and lot on the south side of Sixty-ninth street, 475 feet east of Madison avenue.

By D. M. Seaman, by order of the United States District Court, under the direction of Assignees of Samuel Schaeper, bankrupt, the lease of the premises known as Nos. 128 and 130 Mercer street.

Saturday, Aug. 29.

By Joseph McGuire, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, under the direction of B. J. McCafferty, Esq., Referee, of the Nouveau lot, 25 by 92, on the north side of Seventeenth street, 150 feet east of Eighth avenue.

RECORDED REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

NEW-YORK,
Friday, Aug. 21.

Murray st., No. 22, s. s., about 49.7 ft. e. of Church st., 21.4x25 ft.; Reade st., No. 26, n. s., 83.4 ft. e. of Church st., 37.11x125 ft., one lot.

Irvington st., n. s., 75 ft. w. Suffolk st., 22x100 ft., one lot..... 135,000

84th st., n. s., 110 ft. e. of Madison av., 75x100.5 ft..... 16,000

84th st., n. s., 130 ft. e. of Madison av., 20x100.5 ft..... 45,000

85th st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of 1st av., 75x102 ft.. 45,000

53d st., s. s., 200 ft. e. of Madison av., 20x102.2 ft..... 25,500

81st st., n. s., 220 ft. e. of Madison av., 20x102.2 ft..... 30,000

105th st., n. s., 283.4 ft. w. of 2d av., 16x100.9 ft..... 30,000

110th st., n. s., 228 ft. e. of Avenue A., 20x100.11 ft..... 10,000

Total..... 22,000

CITY REAL ESTATE

AN EXCELLENT ENGLISH BASEMENT house, four-story, brown stone, in good repair, between 5th and Madison avs., and below 50th st. There are five bed-rooms, double drawing-room, reception and living-rooms, laundry and kitchen, with good closets, bath, &c.; the house is 17x60 feet, and the lot 100.5 feet in depth; it is eminently suitable for a doctor or a small family; no stables or other nuisances to be built upon the adjoining property; the furniture can be bought with the house if desired. Apply to LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine st.

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FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET—No. 5 East 21st st.; the house is in perfect order, and will be let with or without furniture, and will be let to a family of the highest respectability. Terms and references required. No. 5 East 21st st.

FOR RENT—THE HOUSE NO. 27 WEST 57TH st.; the house is in perfect order, and will be let with or without furniture, and will be let to a family of the highest respectability. Terms and references required. No. 27 West 57th st.

A SINGLE GENTLEMAN REQUIRES SMALL furnished room in a dwelling, occupied by a private family; location must be west of 10th av. and south of 59th st. Address, stating terms, &c., Box 2,000 Post Office.

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Paid up and subscribed capital..... $10,000,000
Gross fire reserve surplus..... 3,700,000
Life assets and annuities..... 18,300,000
Total..... $27,000,000
BRANCH OFFICE, NO. 54 WILLIAM, CORNER PINE ST.

TOLEDO, WABASH AND WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY,
No. 13 WILLIAM ST.,
NEW-YORK, Aug. 22, 1874.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of the Toledo, Wabash and Western Railway Company for the election of Directors, and transaction of such other business as may come before them, will be held at the office of the company, in Toledo, Ohio, WEDNESDAY, Oct. 7, 1874. The stock transfer books will close at the close of business on Saturday, Sept. 5, and remain closed until Thursday, Oct. 8.

J. D. COX, President.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
LARGE AND IMPORTANT SALE OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, AND OTHER FIRST-CLASS INVESTMENT SECURITIES,
BY ORDER OF EXECUTORS,
ON WEDNESDAY, AUG. 26,
At 12:30 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway and 5 New-York.
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OFFICE OF THE MERCANTILE TRUST COMPANY,
Nos. 122 AND 124 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Aug. 20, 1874.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECtors, held this day, Mr. WILLIAM G. LAMBERT was unanimously elected to the office of President of this Company, made vacant by the death of Mr. Thomas W. Smith.

WM. MILES, Secretary.

NEW-YORK AND OSWEGO MIDLAND MAIN LINE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDHOLDERS are requested to meet again at Cooper Institute on FRIDAY, Aug. 28, at 8 P. M., on matters of importance.

L. H. MEIER, Chairman.

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE FREEDMAN'S SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY,
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 29, 1784.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PERsons, other than depositors, who may have claims against the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, or any of its branches, that they are called upon to present the same, and to make legal proof thereof, to the Commissioners of said company, at their office, No. 1,607 Pennsylvania av., Washington, D. C.

Base-books, when properly adjusted, will be deemed sufficient proof of the balances shown to be due thereon. Depositors will therefore present their pass-books to the respective branches by which they were issued as soon as possible, that they may be properly verified and balanced.

DIVIDENDS.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DIVIDEND.
OFFICE OF THE
GERHARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 141 BROADWAY.
NEW-YORK, July 20, 1874.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of FIVE PER CENT., payable on MONDAY, the 3d day of August.

JOHN E. SMITH, Secretary.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

WANTED—TO HIRE A HALL AS NEAR THE central part of the City as possible, to seat 500 persons, for the use of the Republican Central Committee of this City. State locality, price, and number of years it may be had, with furniture or without. Address J. P. D., Post Office Box No. 1,970.

INSTRUCTION.

MISS HAINES
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MLLE. DE JANON

Will reopen their school for young ladies and children on THURSDAY, Sept. 24. A punctual attendance of their pupils is respectfully requested without further notice.

They will continue their experiment of a Kindergarten in connection with their school at No. 7 Gramercy Park, to reopen Oct. 1, under the charge of Mme. Kriege and her daughter, with a class for training Kindergartners, to commence Nov. 1.

They design having also a class for boys, who will be taught some of the "occupations" of the Kindergarten, and gymnastics, with reading, writing, arithmetic, and objects lessons.

Applications for the school and Kindergarten and boys' class to be made personally, or by letter, No. 10 Gramercy Park.

CHARLIER INSTITUTE FOR YOUNG LADIES
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THIS DAY SCHOOL will reopen on WEDNESDAY, Sept. 23. Thorough and complete English course, French, German, light gymnastics; lectures on scientific subjects, drawing, sewing, &c.

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MME. C. MEARS,
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No. 222 Madison av., New-York, English, French, and German boarding and day school for young ladies, will reopen WEDNESDAY, Sept. 23, 1874. Mme. Mears will be at home Sept. 1.

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Boarding School for Young Ladies and Children, under the supervision of
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Instruction comprises a thorough English course, the ancient and modern languages, music and drawing. The next school-year will commence on Wednesday, Sept. 16.

For circulars apply to MARY J. JACKSON, Syracuse, N. Y.

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MUSICAL DEPARTMENT
under the direction of
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A KINDERGARTEN is attached to the school.

PACKARD'S BUSINESS COLLEGE, NO. 805 BROADWAY, CORNER 11TH ST.—After a brief vacation, and a thorough overhauling and refitting of the rooms, the above institution will reopen for new students to enter. The apartments are the largest, finest, best lighted, and best ventilated of any in the city. Thorough instruction given in all the commercial branches. No extra charge for the various branches. No extra charge for French, German, and phonography. Students may enter at any time, and for any period. Terms reasonable. Call or send for circular.

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HARVARD UNIVERSITY.
The preparatory school of Mr. WM. W. NEWELL, formerly instructor in Harvard, is limited to about ten pupils. Reference to parents of scholars; Lucius Tuckerman, Esq., Cyrus W. Field, Esq., Governeur M. Ogden, Esq., &c., also to Prof. Child, Prof. Lane, &c., Cambridge. Address No. 129 East 24th st.

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Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

MILLES, CHARBONNIER'S
French Protestant Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies' No. 9 East 35TH ST., (formerly No. 42 Lafayette Place,) will reopen on WEDNESDAY, Sept. 23. Address as above until the first week in September, when Mlles. CHARBONNIER will be at their house in New-York.

CIVIL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERING at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y. Instruction very practical. Unsurpassed advantages in this country. Graduates obtain excellent positions. Reopens Sept. 16. For the Annual Register, containing improved Course of Study, and full particulars, address Prof. CHARLES DROWNE, Director.

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MME. LESPINASSE, FRENCH INSTITUTE FOR young ladies at Fort Washington, N. Y., reopens Sept. 21. Circulars at Lespinasse & Friedinger's, No. 3 Pine st.; Bentano's, No. 33 Union square, and Carleton & Co.'s, Publishers, Fifth Avenue Hotel, New-York.

JOHN MACMULLEN'S SCHOOL WILL BE RE opened Sept. 15, at No. 1,814 Broadway, near 30th st. Circulars at G. P. Putnam's Sons, corner 23d st. and 4th av., and at the school.

DREW LADIES' SEMINARY, CARMEL, N. Y.—The Fall session opens Aug. 19; safe and pleasant home; superior advantages in Art, Music, and Languages.
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MR. YOUNGS'S FAMILY AND CLASSICAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS,
CHILDS' HILL, ELIZABETH, N. J.,
Will be reopened on MONDAY, Sept. 14.

MRS. M. S. PARKS,
BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES,
No. 13 Livingston av., New-Brunswick, N. J.,
Will reopen WEDNESDAY, Sept. 16. Address as above.

FEZANDIE INSTITUTE FOR YOUNG GENTLEmen, No. 37 West 33d st., New-York.—Reopening on Sept. 15 for complete studies. Circulars at home and after Sept. 7.

REV. D. A. HOLBROOK'S MILITARY School, Sing Sing, N. Y., will begin its next term Sept. 15. First roll-call at 6 P. M.

NEW-BRIGHTON, STATEN ISLAND.—MISS WEDDELL will succeed Miss WHITTEMORE in her School for Young Ladies and Children; course of instruction and corps of teachers will remain the same. Reopens Sept. 15.

BAYVIEW INSTITUTE, BABYLON, LONG Island.—An English, classical, commercial boarding-school for boys; reopens Sept. 7; thorough work, pleasant home. HOMER HART, Principal.

AT MORGAN LAKE SCHOOL, NEAR Peekskill, N. Y., boys have the best opportunity as to healthful education. Reopens Sept. 15. CHARLES D. MORRIS, M. A., late Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford.

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS SEMINARY FOR young ladies, Nos. 136, 138, and 140 Montague st., Brooklyn, N. Y., reopens Sept. 23, 1874.
CHARLES F. DOW, LL. D., Principal.

THE ELIZABETH INSTITUTE, A BOARDing and day school for young ladies, will reopen Sept. 16, 1874. Apply to Miss M. C. READ, No. 521 North Broad st., Elizabeth, N. J.

TARRYTOWN, ON HUDSON.
IRVING INSTITUTE, for boys and young gentlemen, Session opens Sept. 1. For circulars address
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MRS. ROBERTS AND MISS WALKER will re-open their English and French Day School for Young Ladies and Children, No. 148 Madison av., on Wednesday, Sept. 23.

THE MISSES LANE'S BOARDING AND DAY School for Young Ladies and Children, No. 49 West 48th st., will reopen on WEDNESDAY, Sept. 23. Apply by letter until Sept. 1.

MISS JAUDON'S SCHOOL WITH THE KINDERgarten Department, No. 32 East 31st st., (house next to the Church,) will be reopened THURSDAY, Sept. 24.

JACKSON INSTITUTE.—BOARDING AND DAY school for young ladies, No. 256 East 123d st., New-York. Reopens Sept. 15. Miss JACKSON, Principal.

PARENTS WILL FIND A SCHOOL AND HOME where their sons may receive the best of care and instruction at Rev. R. B. EMERSON'S, Stratford, Conn.

MRS. J. T. BENEDICT'S BOARDING AND Day School for young ladies and children, No. 7 East 42d st., New-York, will reopen Oct. 1.

SEWARD INSTITUTE FOR YOUNG LADIES, Florida, Orange County, N. Y., will reopen Sept. 16.
Mrs. G. W. SEWARD, Principal.

NEW-YORK SCIENTIFIC SCHOOL, PERKIOmen Seminary, Pa., will reopen THURSDAY, Sept. 22.

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CITY OF NEW-YORK, (havana direct).....Wed., Aug. 26
CITY OF MEXICO, (Havana and Mexico).....Aug. 29
CITY OF MERIDA, (Havana via Nassau).....Sept. 2
CITY OF HAVANA, (Havana direct).....Sept. 10

For the accommodation of shippers the steamer CITY OF NEW-YORK will leave WEDNESDAY, Aug. 26, instead of Thursday, Aug. 27.

For freight or passage, apply to F. ALEXANDRE & SONS, No. 33 Broadway.

RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

THE GREAT TRUNK LINE AND UNITED STATES MAIL ROUTE.

Trains leave New-York, from foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts., as follows:

Express for Harrisburg, Pittsburg, the West and South, with Pullman palace cars attached, 9:30 A. M., 5 and 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 5 and 8:30 P. M.

For Williamsport and Lock Haven (via Philadelphia and Erie Railroad Division, connecting at Philadelphia,) 9:30 A. M. For Williamsport, Lock Haven, Corry, and Erie, 8:30 P. M., connecting at Corry for Titusville, Petroleum Centre, and the oil regions.

For Baltimore, Washington, and the South, "Limited, Washington Express" of Pullman parlor cars, daily, except Sunday, at 9:30 A. M., arrive at Washington at 4:10 P. M.; regular at 8:40 A. M.; 3 and 9 P. M. Sunday, 9 P. M.

Express for Philadelphia, 8:40, 9:30, A. M., 12:30, 3, 4, 4:10, 5, 7, 8:30, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 5, 7, 8:30, and 9 P. M. Emigrant and second class, 2 P. M.

Accommodation for Trenton at 7 A. M., and 2 P. M.

For Newark at 6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8, 9, 10, 11 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8:10 10, 11:30 P. M. and 12 night. Sunday 5:20, 7, and 8:10 P. M.

For Elizabeth, 6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8, 9, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8:10, 10, 11:30 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 5:20, 7, and 8:10 P. M.

For Rahway, 6, 6:30, 7, 8, 10 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3:10, 3:40, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 8:10, 10 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday 5:20 and 7 P. M.

For Woodbridge, Perth Amboy, and South Amboy, 6 and 10 A. M., 2:30, 4:50, and 6 P. M.

For New-Brunswick, 7 and 8 A. M., 12 M., 2, 3:10, 4:50, 5:20, 6:10, 7, P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 7 P. M.

For East Millstone, 12 noon, 3:10 and 4:30 P. M.

For Lambertville and Flemington, 9:30 A. M. and 4 P. M.

For Phillipsburg and Belvidere, 9:30 A. M. and 4 P. M.

For Bordentown, Burlington, and Camden, 7 and 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 2, 3, 5, and 7 P. M.

For Freehold, 7 A. M., 2 and 4 P. M.

For Farmingdale and Squan, 7 A. M. and 2 P. M.

For Pemberton and Camden, 6 A. M., and via boat from Pier No. 39 at 3:35 P. M.

Trains arrive as follows: From Pittsburg, 6:50 A. M., 9:50 A. M. and 9:35 P. M., daily; 6:50 P. M. daily, except Monday. From Washington and Baltimore, 6:20 A. M., 4:15, 5:15 and 10:27 P. M. Sunday 6:20 A. M and 10:27 P. M. From Philadelphia, 2:30, 4:30, 6:50, 10:15, 11:55 A. M., 3:15, 4:15 5:15, 6:50, 8:44, 10:27 P. M. Sunday 3:10, 6:20, 6:50, 11:55 A. M., 6:50, and 10:27 P. M.

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FRANK THOMSON, General Manager. D. M. BOYD, JR., General Passenger Agent.

SOUTH-SIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.—SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.—On and after July 27, 1874, trains will leave South 8th st., Brooklyn, E. D., as follows: 8:30 A. M.—Mail for Patchogue and intermediate stations, connecting at Valley Stream for Hempstead and Rockaway Beach, and at Babylon with boat for Fire Island, and at Patchogue with stage for Bellport and Fire Place. 10:30 A. M.—Islip Accommodation, connecting with Hempstead and Rockaway Beach. 1:30 P. M.—Babylon Accommodation, connecting with Hempstead and Rockaway Beach. 4 P. M.—Patchogue Express, stopping at Jamaica, Rockville Centre, South Oyster Bay, and Amityville, and all stations east except Brcslau and Babylon. 4:15 P. M.—Babylon and Fire Island Express direct. 5 P. M.—Patchogue Accommodation, stopping at all stations, connecting with Hempstead and Rockaway Beach. 6 P. M.—Babylon Accommodation, connecting with Hempstead and Rockaway. 7 P. M.—Merrick Accommodation, connecting with Hempstead and Rockaway. Boats leave Roosevelt st., New-York, twenty minutes before leaving time at South 8th st. Boats leave Grand st., New-York, fifteen minutes before leaving time. SUNDAY TRAINS leaving Bushwick Avenue Depot: 9 A. M.—Sunday Mail, for Patchogue, stopping at all stations (Hempstead and Rockaway.) 10:30 A. M.—Sunday Rockaway Accommodation. 1:30 P. M.—Sunday Rockaway and Hempstead Accommodation. 3 P. M.—Sunday Babylon Accommodation. E. WHITE, Master of Transportation.

WICKFORD RAILROAD ROUTE TO NEWPORT.—Passengers for this line take 8:05 A. M. and 1 P. M. express trains from Grand Central Depot (42d st.) for New-Canaan Railroad at 8:05 A. M., 1, 4:38, and 5:40 P. M.; Danbury and Norwalk Railroad at 8:05 A. M., 3:15 and 4:38 P. M.; Naugatuck Railroad at 8:05 A. M. and 3 P. M.; Consolidated Railroad at 8:05 A. M. and 3 P. M.; New-Haven and Northampton Railroad at 8:05 A. M. and 3 P. M.; For Newport at 8:05 A. M. and 1 P. M. Boston and Albany Railroad at 8:05 and 10 A. M., 3 and 8:10 P. M. (7 P. M. on Sunday.) Boston (via Shore Line) at 1 and 9:10 P. M. (9:10 P. M. on Sundays.)

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Excursion tickets at reduced rates.

SEA BIRD,

for Red Bank and intermediate stations, Pier No. 35 North River, foot of Franklin st.

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Thursday, 27th. 3:00 P. M.	Friday, 28th...6:45 A. M.
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ALBANY AND TROY BY DAY LINE.—A Steam-boats C. Vibbard and Daniel Drew leave foot Vestry st., Pier No. 39, N. R., at 8:30 A. M., and 23d st., (north Erie Ferry) at 8:45, landing at Yonkers, Tarrytown, and Nyack, (by ferry-boat,) Poughkeepsie, Rhinebeck, Catskill, and Hudson, connecting for all points West and North. Trip tickets to West Point, Cornwall, and Newburg, returning same day, $1. Special trains to and from Saratoga. To Saratoga, $3 20. Round trip, $5 40. To Round Lake, $2 85. Round trip, $4 40.

ALBANY AND TROY MERCHANTS' OPPOSITION LINE.—Fare, 50c. dock, with berth, $1; with state room, $1 50.—JAMES B. SCHUYLER, Spring St. Pier, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 6 P. M., returning from Albany at 8 P. M. Sunday day excursion at 8 A. M., 23d st., 8:15 A. M., returning from Albany same evening at 8 P. M. Fare for Newburg and Poughkeepsie, 50 cents; Albany, $1; round trip, $1 50.

FOR HARLEM, LANDING AT 11TH ST., Astoria, 109th st., and 129th st., connecting with boats for High and Washington Bridges. Boats leave Peck slip every half hour from 6:30 A. M. until 7 P. M., except 11 A. M., 12:30, and 2 P. M.

N. B.—See time tables where boats land. Sunday boats leave every half hour from 9:30 A. M. until 8 P. M.

CITIZENS' LINE FOR TROY.—LOW FARE.—Elegant steam-boats daily, Saturday excepted, at 6 P M. From Pier No. 49 North River, foot Leroy st., connecting with railroads for all points north and west.

JOSEPH CORNELL, Superintendent.

FOR BRIDGEPORT AND ALL POINTS ON Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroad.—Fare, $1. Steamers leave Catharine-slip at 11:30 A. M.

PEOPLE'S LINE FOR ALBANY.—THE SPLENdid steamers DREW and ST. JOHN leave Pier No. 41, foot Canal st., daily, (Sundays excepted,) at 6 P. M.

EXCURSIONS.

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THE ASSAY OFFICE.

THE PROCESS OF MELTING GOLD AND SILVER.

HISTORY OF THE INSTITUTION—THE MELTING OPERATIONS—A VALUABLE COLLECTION OF ORES AND MINERALS.

In the midst of the quick life that pulsates in Wall street, stands an institution which hardly catches the attention of the casual passer-by, and which yet contributes in no small measure to the great activities that surge around it. It is the United States Assay Office. It is by no means a pretending institution. On the contrary, the building wherein gold and silver to the value of millions of dollars are annually melted and refined and made ready for the mint, is of the very plainest kind, limited in extent, and scarcely adequate for the purpose to which it is applied. But here is stowed away in its crude, that is to say, uncoined, state, almost untold wealth. Here, every day, the process of melting and refining goes forward, and the workers herein are forever toying with millions. By the courtesy of the authorities you are permitted to enter the store-room where all the precious ingots and bars of gold and silver are kept. They are piled up on all sides of you, some of them black and grimy, not having as yet gone through the refining process, and others bright and sparkling, having been so purged of base matter that they have reached a degree of purity represented by 999 parts in 1,000. One of the precious bars, representing a sum of $5,000, is placed in your hands for inspection. Perhaps the contact of so much solid, compact wealth with that more intangible affair, your honesty is likely to be the destruction of the latter, and it may be that you meditate an abrupt exit; but if so, the uncertainty of such a hazard presents itself to your mind, and assuming an aspect of outward integrity you return the treasure. You then proceed to make yourself acquainted with the various processes pursued in the Assay Office, and learn some facts worth knowing.

The establishment of the institution dates back to the Fall of 1854, since which time its business has been rapidly increasing. The building, as has been stated, is now hardly sufficient for its requirements, and does not afford all the facilities desirable. There is another matter, also, which operates against it, and that is that the City is without a mint. When the gold and silver are prepared here for coinage it is necessary to have them forwarded to the mint at Philadelphia, and the coin is afterward transferred back to New-York. Considerable expense is thus incurred for transportation. Formerly the deposits of bullion at the Assay Office were made less through banking mediums than now, the gold coming principally from California, Montana, and Colorado, and the silver from Nevada and Silver Islet, Lake Superior. Some of the purest silver is obtained from Lake Superior. At present most of the deposits are made through the banking medium. The bullion is received in all forms, gold dust, bars, jewelry, amalgams, and so forth. The deposits are all made in the weigh-room, where they are duly weighed. Receipts are given to the depositors in this department, and the bullion is then transferred to the deposit melting room. Payments are, of course, not made to the depositors until the Assayer has made his report as to the quantity of pure gold in their deposits. For deposits of gold payments are made either in gold bars or in coin, according to the option of the depositor. The first thing is to attach a number to each deposit, and this number follows it through all the stages and processes through which it may pass. It will be obvious that each depositor's bullion must be melted separately, and for this purpose it is necessary to be provided with crucibles of all sizes, as the quantities to be melted vary very considerably. The process of melting is very simple, the bullion being simply placed in crucibles, which are placed in a furnace at something like a white heat. The liquid gold is then poured into shapes, and the number with which it starts is subsequently stamped upon it. At this stage the gold contains, of course, a large quantity of base matter. Jewelry, for instance, which is deposited for melting and refining seldom contains thirty per cent. of pure gold, this being esteemed in such case a rather high average. The gold of jewelry is, however, the least valuable kind deposited. The first thing to be done in the matter of refining the gold is to put it through a process known as granulation. This is carried out in a department distinct from the deposit melting room. The granulation is effected by mixing two-thirds of silver with one of gold. The result of this process is that the mixed gold and silver takes the shape of comparatively small grains or particles; and the object of so dividing it is that when for the purpose of purification the gold is brought into contact with sulphuric acid, a larger surface of the metal shall be exposed to its action. The gold is now in its granulated form, (mixed with two-thirds of silver,) but while it was necessary to have this admixture of silver for the purpose of having a large surface of the gold brought under the action of the sulphuric acid, it is now necessary to have the silver again separated. This is effected in this way: The granulated metal is put into large iron kettles and is boiled in sulphuric acid. Formerly it was the custom to use nitric acid, but this was found to be too expensive, and, besides, it necessitated the use of porcelain kettles, which were not so convenient as the iron ones at present in use. The result of boiling the granulated metal in the sulphuric acid is that the silver becomes united with the acid, forming sulphate of silver. It is held in solution, and in this form is carried off through a syphon to tanks in a room down stairs, where the silver is afterward precipitated. The gold is subsequently subjected to several other baths of sulphuric acid until it is thoroughly separated from the silver. It is then placed in a filter and subjected to the action of warm water. At this stage it simply resembles a muddy deposit, and has not the slightest metallic lustre. It is subsequently dried, and hydraulic pressure is brought to bear on it so as to squeeze the water out of it thoroughly. It is afterward cast into bars, and is thoroughly mixed in the process. When in a liquid state bone-dust is thrown on the surface, and this takes up its impurities, which are afterward skimmed off. When the bars are cast a slice is cut off each end, and these are submitted to two assayers, who are not in communication and who report separately. Their reports, besides determining the value of the gold, check each other. The gold is now in a condition to put upon the market. Meanwhile the silver which is held in solution in the sulphuric acid is carried into tanks in which are copper blocks. Their contact with the sulphuric acid produces sulphate of copper, and the silver is precipitated. In all the processes carried on in the Assay Office, there is nothing wasted. The manner in which business is done there is an illustration of the proposition that there is nothing so mean or insignificant as to be disregarded by our economy. After the gold and silver are refined and collected, the process by which these things are effected gives sulphate of copper, and even the sulphurous fumes are carried into condensers, and are turned into sulphuric acid, to be again used for refining. There are four of these condensers, but lest they should not be sufficient to condense all the fumes, another will be added. In connection with the Assay Office, there is a valuable collection of American ores and minerals, the gift of the late Dr. John Torrey, who for many years occupied the position of United States Assayer. His son, Mr. H. Gray Torrey, by whom the position is now occupied, has added to the collection, and he requests American scientists and collectors to bear the Torrey Memorial Cabinet in mind when in the possession of desirable specimens that can be spared. The weighing at the Assay Office is done with the most fractional minuteness, the instruments employed being Becker & Sons' balances. They can weigh as close and even closer than the two thousandth part of seven grains. The calculations of the office, which are of the most intricate and delicate kind, are performed in a distinct department. The office is under the efficient superintendence of Mr. Thomas C. Acton, who is assisted by an effective, if not a large, staff.

RAID ON THE DISORDERLY HOUSES IN THE EIGHTH WARD.

Saturday night was extremely lively in the Eighth Ward Station-house, as raids were made on three of the most notorious dens situated in that ward, and over fifty prisoners captured.

Officer Henderson, with a squad of men, made a descent on the premises No. 148 Thompson street, kept by a colored man named Wm. H. Horton, and the resort of the most depraved colored and white slaves. The inmates, number[illegible] were [illegible] and [illegible] before Justice Morgan, as [illegible]

premises on the 1st of September, and in the meantime to abate the nuisance. The remainder of the gang were fined $10 each.

Officer Maloney, of the Eighth Precinct, aided by a number of officers, made a raid on the dens Nos. 126 and 128 Greene street, kept by Philip Hanan and Samuel Cutler. Six persons were captured in No 126 and eight in No. 128, besides the proprietors. The prisoners were taken before Justice Morgan, at Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday morning. The proprietors, on giving bonds to vacate the premises on the 1st of September, were allowed to depart. The others were fined $10 each, in default of which they were sent to the Island for ten days.

BUSINESS PROSPECTS.

OPENING OF THE FALL TRADE—SAFE BUT MODERATE SALES EXPECTED.

The large mercantile houses in this City are ready for the Fall trade, but as yet only the advance guard of buyers have put in their appearance.

The principal representation is from the Western merchants. The buyers from the South are yet in a small minority. In domestic dry goods the business has been quiet, the buyers from the West exhibiting a conservative course, refusing to purchase even the best assortments of goods, except enough to keep up their stocks. The market for foreign dry goods has taken the same tone. Some of the largest houses at the West and South have made large purchases, with the intention of forcing trade in their immediate sections, but as a general thing there seems to be no disposition to purchase large stocks at present. In this City there is considerable competition manifested among jobbers to secure novelties to attract the out-of-town trade, but except in ribbons and millinery goods, colored silks, and the better classes of worsted and wool dress goods, the demand has not been very active. In fact, business in these lines has not been equal in amount to the sales of last year. This is largely due to the facts that the crops have not yet been sold, and that the season has not yet so far advanced as to make safe markets. Very little wheat or corn has come forward yet, and transactions are confined principally to lots in store. The dry goods men exhibit no want of faith in a good Fall trade, but think buyers will be more careful in their selections than heretofore, and compensate for the difference by quick returns.

The leading dealers in the wholesale grocery trade say that from the South they have not yet received any large orders. It is not expected that the regular trade will set in fully until the latter part of September. Then the amount of purchases will depend largely upon the result of the crops, which through the South are reported to be in a very favorable condition. From the best information so far obtained from the cotton districts, the yield will be much greater than that of last year. In sections of the Carolinas, Georgia, and Tennessee large tracts have been planted in wheat, and the yield is reported to be excellent. In the West the dry weather has hurried on the cereals, and the farmers have succeeded in making several large shipments of grain in good condition. But depressing reports from abroad have resulted in a falling off of prices, and holders at the West dislike to ship on a falling market. As a consequence, there are very few buyers here from the West, and they represent distant points. Purchasers from all sections are conservative, and seem to realize the fact that present economy is necessary to maintain business life. They buy just enough to keep up their lines of stock, preferring to make small purchases and to pay often, thus keeping the market within their control, than to rush boldly into trade, secure heavy stocks, and then run the risk of being unable to meet their bills. In the wholesale wine and spirit trade the same feeling is evident. The demand in New-York for wine and spirits is much less than in former years, but the trade is much safer, dealers preferring short credits and light stocks. On the whole question of the prospects for the Fall trade, the views of New-York merchants are very satisfactory. They say that the class of unthinking speculators were nearly crushed out by the panic and its consequences, and they seem now to have adopted the tactics of older and more experienced merchants. The belief seems universal among the leading firms that September and October will develop a brisk business from the best firms in the South and West, with ample prospects of prompt payments. The Western merchants are in good financial condition, meeting their payments without delay, and every disposition is manifested by New-York dealers here to fill their orders promptly.

MIDSHIPMEN IN THE MERCHANT MARINE.

A circular has been issued by the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company giving the following particulars in regard to the grade of cadets recently established in connection with their line:

"A cadet's term of office will be for three years. He will be in the First Officer's department, will mess with the officers, and will be required to conform rigidly to the discipline of the steamer to which he may be assigned. He will be placed in a watch, and will perform the duties of a junior watch officer.

He will receive a thorough course of instruction in seamanship; in the manner of receiving, stowing, breaking out, and delivering cargoes and stores; in the duties pertaining to the departments of the Freight Clerk, Storekeeper, and Purser; in navigation; in steam engineering, and in international and commercial law.

And it is expected that this education and the practical experience the cadet who is enabled to pass his examinations will have had, will render him capable of filling any position on any ship.

He will be required to keep a journal of all that pertains to the steamer and to his studies, which will be submitted monthly to the Captain for examination.

He will be required to furnish the Captain each day with the results of the steamer's work for the preceding twenty-four hours, terminating at Meridian.

Cadets will be of three classes—Those in their third year of service will be of the First Class; those in the second year, of the Second Class; and those in the first year, of the Third Class.

At the expiration of the first year of service the cadet will be examined, and if found competent will be promoted to the Second Class. Failing to pass this examination, he will be dismissed from the service.

At the termination of the second year another examination will take place, for promotion to the First Class or dismissal.

At the end of the third year a final examination will be had, which, if successfully passed, will render the cadet eligible to a position as an officer in the company's service.

For the first year of a cadet's service he will receive $60, gold; for the second year, $120, gold; and for the third year, $240, gold.

Each cadet will be required to furnish himself with uniform, instruments, and the books necessary for his instruction."

AN INFURIATED HUSBAND.

Thomas Toner, residing at No. 328 Newark avenue, directly opposite the "Crow's Nest," returned home early yesterday morning slightly intoxicated and found his wife, Catharine, in bed. After bolting the door he seized her by the feet and threw her violently on the floor. He then kicked and pounded her about the head and body. After struggling desperately she contrived to regain her feet, and, calling for help, made a dash for the door to escape. To her horror she found it closed. She ran to the window again, screaming lustily for help. Toner then rushed at her and, saying "Now I'll kill you," began to strike her blow after blow with his fist, until her body was shockingly bruised. Not yet satisfied, he caught her head and beat it with terrible force against the wall, and would undoubtedly have carried out his threat had not some neighbors who were attracted by Mrs. Toner's cries for help called Officer Hughes, who, with their assistance, burst open the door, and overpowered Toner. He fought desperately, however, and attempted to overcome the officer. In a corner of the front room Mrs. Toner laid insensible, the blood flowing from her numerous wounds. The furniture, walls, and flooring were spattered with blood. A messenger was immediately dispatched for medical assistance, and Mrs. Toner's wounds were dressed. It is feared she was injured internally, in which case she will probably die. Toner, with great difficulty, was taken to the station-house, where he is held to await the result of his wife's injuries. He accused her of infidelity. Mrs. Toner was last night very weak.

THE TORRINO MURDER.

The Brooklyn Police have obtained information which removes the opinion they entertained respecting Filipo's connection with the murder of Torrino, the counterfeiter. They now believe that he is not one of the parties who committed the crime. The case is still involved in mystery, and there seems to be very little probability of reaching a satisfactory solution of it. The Police have been making diligent inquiries for two or three Italians who are supposed to be concerned in the murder, but all efforts to find them have been baffled up to the present. Though not yet definitely arranged, it is thought the inquest will be resumed on Wednesday.

STABBING AFFRAY IN THE SEVENTH WARD.

Michael Lawlor, of No. 177 Chatham street, Barney Brogan, and several other young roughs, became involved in a fight on Saturday evening at the corner of Rutgers and Cherry streets. During the mêlée Brogan stabbed Lawlor in the left arm and shoulder, inflicting serious wounds. Brogan made his escape, but was subsequently arrested by Officer Maloney. He was arraigned before Justice Kasmire at the Essex Market Police Court, yesterday, and held in $2,000 bail for trial. Lawlor was unfortunate. He was shot in the right leg about six days ago, and two nights afterward fell from a railroad bridge, upon which he was sitting [illegible]

OPEN-AIR WORSHIP.

SING SING.

THE EXERCISES YESTERDAY—A LARGE CROWD IN ATTENDANCE—SCENES IN THE CAMP.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SING SING, Sunday, Aug. 23, 1874.

This Sabbath upon the camp-ground is a beautiful one. The air is mild, and, although there is not a bright sunlight, old Sol occasionally peeps through the clouds and bathes the surroundings in a flood of warmth. There are perhaps six thousand people roving through the grove, or attending the various meetings, but no more. In fact the number is surprisingly small compared with last year's Sunday statistics. The New-York and Poughkeepsie way train had many car-loads, and was nearly an hour behind time. Then the hackmen had a lively time of it. Some of them carried nine persons, only two horses drawing them, but the driver used his horses kindly, perhaps because one of Bergh's men stood at the top of the hill watching every team, and having an eye for the welfare of the dumb beasts. The country people are here in large numbers. All the roads leading here are in fine wheeling condition which no doubt accounts for the large arrivals of rustic brethren and sisters. These country folks do not patronize the boarding-tents for their noon-day meal. They come prepared for any emergency, and the scene on the edges of the camp and in the adjoining lots shows how well the rural people are enjoying themselves. They sit in all sorts of wagons, carriages, and phaetons, and devour their simple noon-day repast with evident satisfaction. In one long lumber box wagon there are four big seats, each covered with a buffalo-robe, and each seat occupied by three persons. It is no doubt a family group—father, mother, three sons, two daughters, a cousin or two, and the hired man. Huge wicker baskets and clean white napkins are visible, and hands that plunge into them come out with home-made bread, cold chickens, pot-cheese, "cookies," &c., and now and then a pop, followed by a gurgling sound, proves that the mother has brought some home-made wine along.

The good brethren were astir at an early hour this morning, for at 6 o'clock there was a prayer-meeting in the Duane street tent, which was largely attended. The spirit ran high, and the prayers and exhortations were of the most fervent character. At 8:30 A. M. a love-feast was held at the main stand. The congregation was an unusually large one, and there were many speakers, among them being Rev. Mr. Evans, of the Perry Street Mission, who conducted the proceedings, and Presiding Elder Brown. The addresses were short but full of Christian fire.

The regular morning service opened with every seat in front of the main stand crowded. The preacher was Rev. Delos Lull. He took his text from the seventeenth chapter of Luke, fifteenth verse, and spoke most eloquently for an hour, the entire congregation listening with the deepest interest. When service closed Central avenue was crowded with ladies and gentlemen en route to their tents and dining restaurant, and then one hour was given for dinner. After dinner, at 1 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Richmond held another "children's meeting," at which there were many speakers and many worldly people, who seemed to be highly pleased. One of the main talkers was Mrs. E. A. Acker, of Brooklyn. While the children's meeting was in progress, prayer-meetings were being held in the Duane street tent, Peekskill tent, and Preachers' tent. There was an immense throng about the Duane street tent, where Rev. Mr. Morehouse officiated. Central avenue was almost blockaded with the people listening to the fervent exercises within. In the Peekskill tent an excited colored woman and a white woman were taking a prominent part, and there, too, a large crowd had congregated. The singing in this tent attracted many. Four long benches, forming a square, were the altar, within which the Methodist brethren knelt. When one speaker concluded, all within the tent burst forth into song. These prayer-meetings continued with interest unabating till 2:30 P. M.

Rev. G. C. Bancroft, of the Troy Conference, supplied one of the Sing Sing pulpits this morning, and preached upon "Impurities in the Church." He alluded in strong terms to the Beecher and Tilton affair, but mentioned no names. He said the public mind is becoming distrustful of preachers, and wrongfully so, for there are yet 7,000 ministers not hypocrites, and he denied that "society is rotten to the core."

Rev. Fletcher Hamilton of the Jane Street M. E. Church, held a very interesting prayer-meeting this afternoon, after which a sermon was preached by Rev. William Lloyd, D. D., of the Washington Street Church, Poughkeepsie, and one of the leading ministers in the New-York Conference. He took his text from Mark, ii., 17, and Luke, xix., 10. His subject was "The Mission of Christ." The sermon was a powerful and impressive discourse, and was heard with deep attention and respect.

Immediately after Mr. Lloyd closed there was a rush for hacks, as many desired to catch the 5:04 P. M. train; and, too, the country people commenced to leave for home rapidly. The assemblage to-day has been a very orderly one, thanks first to the people themselves, and next, to the efficient Police force. There was considerable excitement at 5 o'clock, occasioned by the sudden death of a colored man, named Samuel Floyd, of Croton. He dropped dead at the main entrance. The Coroner has been notified.

METHODISM IN ITALY.

The Wesleyan Foreign Missionary report, just published in England, says, in connection with Naples: "One of the most important facts connected with the history of our work during the year is that Signor Raggbiante da Viareggio, an ex-monk of the Franciscan order, well known as Father Viareggio, both famous as an orator and celebrated as the Hyacinthe of Southern Italy, has offered himself as a candidate for our ministry." The Nismes *Evangéliste* of Aug. 6 speaks as follows of the conversion of a Professor at the Vatican Seminary to the American Methodist Church: "M. Theophilus Gay, minister of the Episcopal Methodist Church at Rome, writes to the *Eglise Libre* that on July 26 the Abbé Alceste Launa, Professor at the Vatican Seminary, a most influential member of the Roman clergy, left the Papal Church and joined Methodism. Our chapel, says Mr. Gay, was crammed. After a short discourse, which I delivered on the scribe in the Gospel who offered to follow Jesus, the ex-Abbé Launa ascended the pulpit, and, full of emotion, made a profession of Evangelical faith which deeply impressed the whole audience. Dr. Launa is still young, and gifted with the finest qualities of mind and heart. He will be able to do much for the cause of Christ." There has been going through different Methodist German papers a passage on Methodism in Italy, taken from the *Allgemeine Evangelisch-Lutherische Kirchen Zeitung*, edited by Dr. and Professor of Theology C. E. Luthand, of Leipsig, one of the ablest men in German Protestantism, and so well known in England by his "Apologetic Letures," &c., and many other works. The passage is as follows: "The leader of the Methodist evangelization is Rev. Mr. Pigott. He labored till last year in Padua, where he founded a theological seminary and a superior ladies' school. Both institutions have been removed, with their founder, after seven years' existence, to Rome. The ladies' school, with which another advanced boys' school is united, stands under the direction of Mr. Durley. The Methodists are uncommonly active. In Naples they have purchased a church of their own, and commenced a new Protestant paper, the *Civilta Evangelica*. In Rome they have two congregations, and last year they founded new stations at Bologna, Forli, Ravenna, Modena, Bognocavallo, Lugo, Rieti, Milan, and Florence. It was in the last of those cities that the excited mob broke into the Methodist chapel before Porta S. Gallo during the service. The Evangelist Arrighi, a native of Tuscany, who emigrated to America—was there converted and prepared for his office—was just then reading the portion of Scripture for his text. The door of the place was forced in, windows and chairs smashed in pieces, and the evangelist had to save himself by flight from actual maltreatment. As, however, the superior powers did their duties and apprehended some of the disturbers, Arrighi began again, and there has been no disturbance since, although he preaches three times every week, and has done so since then."

VIRGINIA HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth of Virginia has just received from the Public Record Office at London, England, another large instalment of documents ordered by the Committee on the State Library. These papers furnish a complete documentary history of the Colony of Virginia from the time the first voyagers were sent out by Sir Walter Raleigh to the revolution of 1776. Among them is an interesting and authentic "narrative of the rise, progress, and cessation of the late rebellion in Virginia, most humbly and impartially reported by His Majesty's commissioners appointed to inquire into the affairs of the said colony;" accompanying which is a map representing "Bacon's great battle with the Indians," traced from the original in the Public Record Office at London; also, copies of the records relating to the conduct of those related to the rebellion in the Colony of Virginia, in the time of Governor Berkley, and the Commissioners sent over by the King to inquire into the causes of the rebellion. The boundary line between the two, accompanied with excellent copies of the maps made by the surveyors engaged in running the boundary line, and traced from the originals furnished by Colonel William Byrd and transmitted as part of his report to the British Government.

THE TICKET AGENTS.

THEY PRESENT THEIR SIDE OF THE CASE AT A FINAL MEETING.

In consequence of the recent action of the trunk railroad lines to the West in abolishing commission ticket offices, the Association of Railway and Steam-ship Ticket Agents of this City, comprising offices of fourteen leading hotels, and whose receipts for the year ending June 30, were about one million dollars, at a final meeting Saturday evening last, resolved to work for the New-York Central, Lake Shore and Michigan Southern, and Chicago and Rock Island Roads to the West, and Northwestern road to the North-west; also, for the Piedmont Air Line to the South. Resolutions expressing friendliness to officers of other lines were passed, and excluding advertisements of every description except for roads named; also, announcing that no extra charge will be made for furnishing ticket and sleeping-car accommodations, and making a strong appeal to the public for one year's support. Steps were taken to secure unity of action with other Eastern cities.

The ticket agents claim that the late movement of the railways is but an initiatory step toward a stupendous consolidation of the three trunk lines west from this City, and that if this action can be enforced despite the protest of the public, the next will be an encroachment final and complete.

To pool the earnings of the Erie, Pennsylvania, and New-York Central Roads will leave no choice of line or chance of competition for the merchant in shipping his goods or purchasing his ticket. The ticket agents say that it is represented by the railroad magnates, as an excuse for their action, that it was necessary to reform the business, it having been abused and become greatly demoralized in consequence of agents having taken advantages, and not acting true to the interests of the companies. In reply the agents say that twelve or fifteen years since coupon tickets were issued to hotel offices by the three trunk lines to all points west, north, and south, extending over their own and connecting lines, for the sale of which a commission was paid to agents of $1 to Cincinnati and Chicago, $2 to St. Louis, and $3 to New-Orleans, Omaha, and west. This rate sometimes varied, as competition was waged. The agents gave to each company a bond, secured by real estate, as security for the honest performance of their duties. They also incurred the expense of fitting up offices and taking leases for a term of years. In addition to these Union ticket-offices, each company maintained offices of its own, employing agents and solicitors on salary. Uniform price-lists were furnished all offices, without distinction, for the sale of tickets. The Union agents furnished the guests of hotels and patrons generally all the information concerning every line, and gave them choice of routes, sleeping berths, &c., without extra charge. After a few years the competition became so strong between the different companies' offices and their hired agents that, in order to secure the travel, they would throw off from the regular price the amount allowed agents as commission. This practice increased until the company's offices gradually destroyed the legitimate trade of hotel offices, and every salesman, clerk, porter, and bootblack of wholesale dry-goods houses became interested in the sale of tickets to Western merchants. So notorious did it become that pools were made by them for the purchase of tickets, and though they sold them to "hoosiers" at reduced figures they pocketed handsome profits, because they incurred no expense. Where then, it is asked, did this abuse originate but with the companies themselves? The hotel agents saw their protection in the purchase of tickets in the New-England States. For instance, the price from Boston to Chicago was $24; by selling the portion "Boston to New-York" it left a clean ticket from New-York to Chicago that could be sold at the reduced New-York price and net a good profit. This outlet caused all agents to invest, and was the means of starting illegitimate, irresponsible traders and speculators, thus diverting to the credit of Eastern places a large portion of the New-York business. The trouble and complications that were likely to arise from this were foreseen by the legitimate agents, and they solicited a meeting with the general passenger agents of the companies, which took place at the St. Nicholas Hotel, Dec. 11, 1873, at which they asked them to so change the issue or rate of the issue from the East as to prevent irresponsible parties from demoralizing the business and injuring the roads; for both salaried and commissioned agents to maintain the rate and depend upon the ordinary commission for remuneration, thus enabling agents to continue their business and accommodate the public. This the companies' agents declared themselves powerless to do. Notwithstanding that, they have since done so, and also withdrawn tickets from all offices, to the inconvenience of the traveling public and the great loss of their agents. The latter in turn have resolved to give the benefit of their gratuitous labors to one line.

AN AUTOGRAPH COLLECTOR.

HOW HE HUNTED UP RELATIVES AND SWINDLED A BANGOR BANK BY MEANS OF A FORGED NOTE.

On Wednesday morning last a man entered the First National Bank in Bangor, Me., and requested Major Merrill, the Cashier, to cash for him a check for $280, purporting to be drawn by a Mr. Kimball, of Portland, on the Casco National Bank of that city. Major Merrill refused, not knowing the man, unless the check was indorsed by responsible parties there, and, in answer to an inquiry whether the signature of Blood & Rowe would do, answered in the affirmative. His subsequent operations the Bangor *Whig* describes thus: "On Thursday the man called again and presented the check, indorsed by H. W. Blood, and as the signature appeared to be genuine, the check was cashed. Subsequently it was ascertained that the name was forged, and the police were set upon the track of the forger, but as yet have found no trace of him. The manner in which the forger obtained a genuine signature of Mr. Blood's to copy from was very adroit. On Wednesday the fellow called at the drug-store of Messrs. Blood & Rowe, and inquired for the senior member of the firm. Mr. Blood was sitting in the back part of the store, but immediately came forward, while the visitor introduced himself a Mr. Blood from St. Louis. He wished to become acquainted with Mr. Blood, of Bangor, as there are few persons of that name in the country, and perhaps there might be distant connection. The visitor said he had no cards, but showed a pocket-book on which 'W. H. Blood, St. Louis, Mo.,' was stamped in gilt letters, said his family belonged in northern New-Hampshire, where our Mr. Blood's ancestors resided, professed acquaintance with several Bangor men now in St. Louis, and correctly stated their business. He said he was on his way to St. John, and among other things incidentally stated that he had an autograph-book at the hotel, in which he had the signatures of a number of Bloods, which he would be pleased to have Mr. Blood see and examine. As he was about to depart he inquired what, if any, amusements were going on Mr. Blood replied that a horse trot would take place in the afternoon, whereupon the stranger invited him to go out. The invitation was declined, as business would not permit, and the stranger left, saying he was going to St. John the next morning. Thursday forenoon he appeared at the store again, saying he was not called in season to take the St. John train. A long conversation ensued, in the course of which the stranger exhibited the autograph book he mentioned the day before. In it were perhaps a dozen names, and in response to the stranger's request Mr. Blood added his signature. When he left Mr. Blood asked him home to tea, but he hasn't seen fit to return yet."

TOMBS POLICE COURT NOTES.

John Hecker was yesterday committed for trial at the Special Sessions, by Justice Wandell, of the Tombs Police Court, in default of $500 bail, for attempting to steal a shirt-bosom, valued at thirty-five cents, from the store of Wm. A. Fanning, No. 226 Bowery.

Thomas Farrell, of No. 34 Monroe street, was arraigned before Justice Wandell, of the Tombs Police Court, yesterday, charged with attempting to steal a suit of clothes, valued at $30, which was on exhibition on a wire frame at the entrance to Messrs. Kenyon & Pettit's clothing store, Nos. 70 and 72 Bowery. He was committed to answer in default of $1,000 bail.

THE JERSEY CITY SCANDAL.

Public excitement continues to grow in Jersey City on the Glendenning scandal. Glendenning is said to have watched the funeral of Miss Pomeroy from the office of a friend named Howell. Subsequently he went to Metuchen, N. J., but is said to have come to this City and returned again on Saturday to the house of Mr. J. J. Owen, on Cherry lane, Jersey City, for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the indignation meeting to be held that evening. At the meeting Mr. Owen, it will be remembered, undertook to defend him, but his position evidently had not the sympathy of the gathering. Glendenning is reported to have fled again on hearing of the action taken at the meeting. If was reported yesterday that several citizens were excitedly searching for him. Last evening Rev. R. B. Yard, of the Hedding M. E. Church, preached on the scandal, condemning Glendenning.

ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

Hon. Matthew Hale, of Albany, is at the Gilsey House.

Gen. John G. Hazard, of Rhode Island, is at the Albemarle Hotel.

Gen. George A. Sheridan, of New-Orleans, is at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

Dr. H. R. Linderman, Director of the United States Mint, is at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Capt. James Kennedy, of steam-ship City of Chester, is at the New-York Hotel.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

An unknown man was found drowned at Pier No. 42 North River yesterday.

An unknown man was found insensible in front of No. 139 Washington street, and taken to the Park Hospital, yesterday.

A male infant was found in the hallway of No. 59 Prince street, yesterday, and given to Matron Webb, of Central Office, by the Police.

Mrs. Jane Newton, aged thirty years, of No. 35 South Fifth avenue, was found dead in bed yesterday morning. Cause unknown.

While drunk, yesterday, John Perrin, aged fifty-two, of No. 252 First avenue, fell on the sidewalk, and was severely cut about the head.

Edward Mason, aged forty-eight, of No. 328 Pearl street, fell into the hold of a ship at the foot of Canal street, North River, and was fatally injured.

Garf Schlesterman, a aged eighteen, a sailor on board the bark Europa at Pier No. 52 East River, fell down the hatchway of his vessel, and was instantly killed.

Detectives Farley and Kerns, of Central Office, yesterday arrested Edward S. Craig for passing a forged check for $150 on Mr. Charles Rathborne, a broker, of No. 5 New street.

Officer Parish, on Saturday, arrested Wm. Ross, of No. 278 Monroe street, on a charge of keeping a lottery policy shop. At Essex Market Police Court yesterday Justice Kasmire held Ross in $2,000 bail for trial.

While insane yesterday evening, James McCauley, aged eighteen, of One Hundred and Twentieth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, shot himself in the left eye, inflicting a fatal wound. He was taken to the Reception Hospital.

Thomas Blesson, of No. 333 East Fifty-ninth street, was found at the corner of White and Centre streets, yesterday, suffering from injuries received, as he stated, by his having been kicked in the abdomen by an unknown man in Crosby street on Saturday night.

Henry Zander, of No. 100 Hester street, was yesterday held in $2,000 bail for examination by Justice Kasmire at Essex Market Police Court charged with drugging and criminally assaulting Ellen Dryer, of No. 91 First street, on the 18th of last March.

Lizzie Kane, aged twenty-five, having no home, was kicked in the abdomen by Jeremiah Lee, of No. 11 Prince street, and so seriously injured that her removal to Bellevue Hospital was deemed necessary. Lee was arrested and locked up in the Fourteenth Precinct.

BROOKLYN.

Yesterday morning a bay horse attached to a light box-wagon painted black, belonging to Gus. Welsher, East New-York, was stolen from Baltic avenue, near Wycoff avenue.

Last evening Officer Lowe arrested Daniel Dougherty, of No. 305 Bergen street, for assaulting his neighbor, James Driscoll, by striking him with a chair and inflicting serious injuries.

Denis Hogan, of No. 41 Columbia street, was taken into custody yesterday morning, on the complaint of Michael Smith, who charges him with assaulting him with a club during a quarrel between them at Hogan's residence.

Peter Ward, residing at the corner of Washington street and First avenue, and Francis Dempsey, of No. 478 East Baltic street, were arrested on the corner of Baltic and Nevin streets, Saturday night, for assaulting Officer Hays while he was dispersing a crowd who were disturbing the neighborhood.

Thomas Finley, residing at No. 827 Classon avenue, and Michael Mitchell, of No. 342 East Forty-ninth street, New-York, were arrested yesterday morning, on the complaint of Hugh O'Dounell, corner of Washington avenue and Crown street. O'Donnell charges them with assaulting him on Saturday night.

Joseph Howard, residing in Putnam avenue, was arrested yesterday morning by Capt. MacKellar, of the Eighth Precinct, on a charge of passing a counterfeit check on the Commercial Bank of Brooklyn, on Saturday, upon John Gallagher, the Poundmaster of the Eighth Ward. Howard gave Gallagher the check to release two horses from his custody.

A young man named Wm. Gerraty, eighteen years of age, supposed to be insane, was yesterday brought to the Seventh Precinct Station-house by an officer from Long Island City, who stated that he found him acting in a very strange manner. Gerraty says he escaped from the Penitentiary on Wednesday last. He was held for examination by the Commissioners.

LONG ISLAND.

The Methodist camp-meeting at Jamesport commences to-day.

The gas works of A. T. Stewart's Garden City are now in operation, and the streets are already lighted, the lamps being kept burning throughout the night.

The body of a drowned man was found in Charles Raynor's fishing pond, off Sayville, on Saturday. It proved to be that of a workman in John Roger's factory, known as Frank, a native of Bohemia. It appeared at the Coroner's inquest that he went in bathing, and got in the channel beyond his depth.

The schooner Phœbe L. Foster, Capt. Stephen Clark, from New-York, for Islip, laden with brick, when off Jones' Inlet, on the 19th inst., struck some obstruction, supposed to be a submerged but floating wreck, in ten fathoms of water, nearly throwing her on her beam-ends, and knocking off half her centreboard.

The School Commissioners of Suffolk County give notice that a competitive examination for the State scholarship in Cornell University will be held at the Court-house in Riverhead on the 31st inst. School Commissioner Lincoln, of the First Assembly District of Queens County, will hold examinations for the same purpose at his office in Glen Cove on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of this week.

About 9 o'clock on Saturday night a fire broke out in the upper story of the large building known as the Pavilion, on the Merrick camp-meeting grounds, and but for timely discovery would have destroyed the building. The flames, which had communicated to the wood-work, were extinguished with considerable difficulty. The loss was mainly in clothing belonging to Mr. Noe's family, upon which there was no insurance.

NEW-JERSEY.

The August term of the Bergen County Court begins to-morrow.

The number of children in Orange between the ages of five and eighteen is 2,776.

The Orange Board of Education has appointed Usher W. Cutts Principal of the High School.

The old First German Baptist Church on Mercer street, Newark, is to be demolished to make room for a new one.

The Finance Committee of the Elizabeth Board of Education report the expenditures for the past six months at $19,039 19.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the New-Jersey Teachers' Association will be held at the Normal School, Trenton, to-morrow.

The total number of persons employed in the manufacture of silk in the State is 3,406, and the amount of capital employed, $5,497,416.

The Second German Methodist Episcopal Church, Newark, was dedicated yesterday by Rev. J. W. Freund, assisted by Rev. J. U. Steil and Rev. Paul Quadlander.

The First District Republican Congressional Convention will be held at Camden on the 11th of September. The district is composed of Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland, and Cape May Counties.

Thomas Kimlin, one of the rioters who assaulted the Police on Aug. 1, was on Saturday convicted in the Passaic County Court of Special Sessions, and sentenced to two years imprisonment.

The monthly report of County Physician Stout, of Hudson County for the month ending Aug. 20, shows 11 suicides, 13 railroad accidents, 3 murders, 36 drowning accidents, 38 sudden deaths, and 13 accidental deaths.

The new Methodist Episcopal church at South Orange was dedicated yesterday. Bishop Simpson preached the dedicatory sermon. Addresses were delivered by Rev. John F. Hurst, D. D., President of Drew Seminary; Ex-Mayor G. J. Ferry, of Orange; Revs. Dr. Sims, J. H. Worcester, and A. L. Brice.

On Friday Jacob Marchel, of Wanaque, in attempting to cross the trestle-work of the Montclair Railroad at Broadville, fell through to a distance of about thirty feet to the rocks below. He remained there insensible for some hours before he was discovered. He was removed to his home, where he died shortly after.

ARMY AND NAVY REUNION.

The Society of the Army and Navy of the Gulf meets in Hartford, Conn., on the 2d of September, and preparations are now being made by the Executive Committee. The orator for the year will be Gen. George H. Shepley, of Maine, and the poet, Major J. W. De Forest, of New-Haven, well known as a novelist. The officers of the association are: President, Admiral Theodore Bailey; Vice Presidents, Gen. W. B. Franklin, Admiral Thatcher; Recording Secretary, Col. Granville P. Harris; Corresponding Secretary, Major James E. Mayo; Secretary and Treasurer, Gen. Jacob Sharp; Executive Committee